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Eastwood beat Lanark Grammar 6-0 in a very easy win to progress into the 5th round of the Scottish cup. Four goals from Calvin Mcgrory, one from Keenan Campbell and one from Marcus Mandagie put Eastwood easily into the next round of the cup.

The game started with Lanark obviously trying to frustrate Eastwood by sitting defensively and restricting Eastwood to long shots. Eastwood's first chance came from a long shot from Stefan Downey but the keeper saved it and spilled it but managed to get back to it before it went in. We could have had a couple of penalties, the first one was when Ewan Keir was through on goal and clipped from behind but the ref waved play on. The second was from a long kick from Scott Johnson up field to Stefan who was through on goal and then the defender clattered into the back of him and again the referee waved play on. Eastwood had a lot of joy down the right side in the first half and our best chance was from Keenan who sprinted down the line after a long through ball from Calum James sent him through and he fizzed the ball across the box but the cross just goes wide. Our first goal, which was coming, came when Harris went down the line past the full back and then passed it across to Calvin who curled it into the bottom left corner to put Eastwood deservedly one nil up. The second goal came shortly after when Calvin again picked up the ball in the middle of Eastwood's half and hit a shot into the top of the net to make it 2-0 and put us in the driving seat for the next round of the cup. It was 3 very quickly after when Calum James plays a perfectly timed through ball to Keenan who then dinked it over the keeper to make it 3 to surely put us into the next round.

The second half started with Lanark on the front foot, having a lot of possession but not having many chances at goal with our defence staying firm throughout their spell of pressure. Then shortly after we could have went 4 up when a free kick from Calvin went straight at the keeper. Then soon after, the nail went in the coffin for Lanark when a free kick, again, from Calvin went over the wall into the top corner to seal his hat trick but you could argue the keeper could have done better but that takes nothing away from the free kick itself. About 3 minutes later the keeper again was at fault when Calvin made it 4 for himself and 5 for Eastwood from yet again another free kick as he hit it across the keeper and in off the post to really wrap up the cup tie and put Eastwood safely into the next round of the cup. Eastwood wasn't done yet, when Marcus ran down the line past the full back, drove into the box, hit it at the keeper. It then came back to him, he took it round the keeper and put it in to make it 6-0 to Eastwood and finish the game.