Organised by the Cricket Hong Kong, China
Subvented by the Leisure and Cultural Services Department
Co-organised by the Education Bureau

School Sports Programme
2026 Easy Sport Competition – Cricket Competition
【Prospectus】

1. Objective : To offer former participants of the Easy Sport Programme – Cricket under the School Sports Programme (SSP) an opportunity for exchanges to develop their interest in Cricket and enhance their skills and gain experience in competitions.

2. Eligibility : The Competition is open to primary schools which participated in the Easy Sport Programme – Cricket between 1 September 2023 and 31 December 2025.

3. Date, Time and Venue :

Date	Day	Time	Venue
7 February 2026	Saturday	9:00am – 7:00pm	Tai Hang Tung Recreation Ground (Rugby Pitch)
7 March 2026 *Reserve Match Date*			

4. Division and Age :

Division	Age as at 2025 (Year of Birth)
Boys and Girls Mixed	13 or below (2012 or onwards)

5. Quota :
   a. There will be 12 teams. (Each team is composed of 6-10 members. Mixed teams of boys and girls are allowed.)
   b. For efficient use of the resources, the Organiser may adjust the quota for each division in the light of application response. The quota will be finalised on the ballot date. Participating schools/ participants shall raise no objection.

6. Fee : $200 dollars per team (The fee covers both the preliminary and final competitions.)

7. Awards :
   a. Trophies will be awarded to the champion, first, second and third runners-up and four merit award winners. Medals and certificates will also be awarded to members of the winning teams. (The actual number of awards is subject to the number of participants).
   b. Individual awards are set up: Best Bowler, Best Batter, Best Fielder and MVP.

   The prizes will be presented to the winners on the spot after the finals are completed.

Number of participating teams	Awards
Under 6	Champion, first runner-up and second runner-up
7-11	Champion, first runner-up, second runner-up and third runner-up
More than 11	Champion, first runner-up, second runner-up, third runner-up and four merit awards

   c. Each team member will receive a commemorative certificate.
   d. For participating teams which fail to show up for or complete any event, the Organiser has the right to revoke their eligibility for prizes and no trophies, medals or certificates will be given to them.

8. Notes on application ：
   a. Priority will be accorded to schools which participated in the Easy Sport Programme － Cricket between 1 September 2023 and 31 December 2025. If the number of applying schools exceeds the quota, the places will be allocated by ballot. Each school may enrol a maximum of 2 teams. Please indicate their priority on the application form (i.e. "Team 1" and "Team 2"). If there are remaining places after the first round of ballot, teams with lower priority may be considered. Any places still remaining will be allocated by ballot to schools which have never participated in the Easy Sport Programme － Cricket.
   b. Each student may only be in one team and should be a current student of the school represented by the team during the Competition.
   c. Please submit completed application forms by Email, post or by fax (Email address: applicationssp@lcsd.gov.hk; fax no.: 2684 9076, 2697 5087) to this Office.
   d. A list of successful applicants and payment details will be sent to the schools concerned by email.
   e. The list of participants is not subject to change after payment has been completed.

9. Deadline for application ：
   25 November 2025
   (The postmark or Email date will be deemed the date of submission.)

10. Enrolment ballot ：
    The ballot will be held at the 1/F Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters at 11:00 am on 2 December 2025. Representatives of schools are welcome to attend. School allocated with places will be informed by email, while unsuccessful ones will not be notified. The ballot result will be posted on the following website on 9 December 2025：
    https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html
    If an Acknowledgement Receipt is not received within two working days before the ballot date (i.e. 28 November 2025), please contact our staff on 2601 7952 or 2601 7602 to check if we have received your application. Otherwise, we may not be able to process your application.

11. Payment period for successful applicants ：
    15 to 31 December 2025

12. Payment period for successful waiting list applicants ：
    6 to 12 January 2026

13. Match Draw ：
    The match draw will be held at the Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters at 11:00 am on 16 January 2026. Representatives of schools are welcome. Letters will be emailed to participating schools informing them of the results of the draw and reporting time. The relevant information will also be posted on the LCSD's web page on 26 January 2026：
    https://www.lcsd.gov.hk/en/ssp/competition_info/competition_info.html

14. Competition Rules ：
    a. 6-a-side-matches with 6 overs per side and 6 balls per over.
    b. Each team can have no more than 2 reserved players for interchange in the field
    c. Batting team will have 3 pairs of batsmen and each pair will bat for 2 overs.
    d. In each over, the 6 fielders should bowl overarm.
    e. The arm must be straight in overarm bowling, otherwise "no ball" will be called and

3 runs will be awarded to the opposing team.

f. If the ball bounces more than twice during bowling, "no ball" will be called.

g. Every fielder should bowl 6 balls in the same over.

h. In the case of "no ball" or "wide ball" for the last ball bowled in the last over, an extra ball should be bowled.

i. Only plastic bats should be used in the matches

j. Scoring system：

i) Each team has a basic score of 100.

ii) Wide ball - 3 runs for the opposing team.

iii) The bowler's ball is declared "no ball" - 3 runs for the opposing team.

iv) The ball is hit more than twice - deemed "no ball" and no run for the batsman.

v) The ball is hit past the boundary on the full - 6 runs will be scored.

vi) The ball is hit past the boundary after touching the ground - 4 runs will be scored.

vii) A batsman out - the batsman can continue to bat but 5 runs will be deducted.

k. Participating teams which play in consecutive matches may take a break of 5 to 10 minutes between each match. The Organiser reserves the right to make arrangements according to actual circumstances. Participating teams shall not request postponement of matches on the grounds of fatigue.

l. Any team leaving the playing area during a match shall be deemed to have forfeited the match. The opposing team shall be declared the winner by the Organiser.

m. In case of a breach of the rules or regulations of the Competition or unsporting behaviour by a team leader or team member, the referee shall have the right to disqualify the team from the Competition.

15. Format ：a. A single round-robin system on a group basis will be adopted in the preliminary rounds. The top 2 teams in each pool will proceed to the next round to compete for the champion, 1st, 2nd and 3rd runners-up in an elimination system.

b. In each match of the preliminary round, the winner will gain 3 points; the losing team no point, whilst tying teams will gain 1 point each. Rankings will then be determined by the total scores. If the total scores are equal, rankings will be decided by the following order of preference：

<u>Preliminary Round</u>

i) The team with most wins in total

ii) The team with most runs in total

iii) The team that has taken the most wickets in total

If the scores are still the same, rankings will be determined by lots drawing.

<u>Elimination System</u>

i) The team that has taken the most wickets in total

ii) The team with more '6's' in total

If the scores are still the same, rankings will be determined by lots drawing.

<u>Final and 2nd Runner-up</u>

i) The team that has taken the most wickets in total

ii) The team with more '6's' in total

iii) Extra time to be played with 1 over per side to determine the winner

iv) If a batsman is out, five runs will be deducted

c. Unless otherwise stipulated in this prospectus, the existing rules employed by the Cricket Hong Kong, China will be adopted.

d. The Organiser has the right to change the format as necessary.

16. Reporting on Arrival : a. Participants shall report to the staff of the Organiser 15 minutes before the scheduled time of the match. Those who fail to show up within 5 minutes after the staff of the Organiser's roll call will be deemed to have waived their right to participate.

b. Participants shall produce unambiguous proof of identity bearing photos, e.g. student handbooks, student cards of current year, etc. to the staff of the Organiser on the competition day for verification.

c. The competition schedule shall be as announced on-site.

17. Transport : Schools are required to arrange their own transport to and from the competition venue. No parking arrangement will be made by the Organiser.

18. Inclement Weather Unexpected Incidents Arrangements : a. A session will be cancelled if the Education Bureau announces school suspension or if the Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or Amber Rainstorm Warning Signal or above remains in force two hours before the reporting time for the first round of events on the competition day, all events on the day will be cancelled. Under other weather conditions, all participants are required to report to the Organiser as scheduled. The referees on the site shall decide whether the Competition should proceed or not.

b. If the Environmental Protection Department announces that the Air Quality Health Index recorded by general stations in the competition area reaches 10+ ("Serious" health risk category) during the Competition, all events in progress shall be **terminated immediately.**

19. Remarks : a. Schools should remind their students to bring along their lunch and sufficient drinks.

b. Team members shall wear proper sportswear during the Competition.

c. The Organiser will carry out photo shoots/video-filming/arrange broadcasting during the competitions, and has the right to display/publish the event photos or videos on the Internet, at venues of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, on the dedicated website, in publications of the Organiser and through other publicity channels, for promotion of activities or record purposes.

20. Appeal : No appeal will be accepted. The referees' decision on the competition results shall be final.

21. Enquiries : School Sports Programme Unit, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Sha Tin.

(Telephone number: 2601 7952)

In case of any inadequacy in this Prospectus, the Organiser reserves the right to amend it at any time without further notice.