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

School Sports Programme — 2026 Outreach Coaching Programme Futsal Competition (First Term) Prospectus

1. Objective:

To provide more opportunities for matches and shared learning among schools that have participated in the football training courses under the "School Sports Programme" (SSP), thereby cultivating students' interest in football and enhancing their skills.

2. Date and Venue:

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Event	Date	Venue	
Secondary School - Boys' and Girls' Preliminary Rounds	4 January 2026 (Sun)	Hoi Sham Park	
Primary School - Boys' and Girls' Preliminary Rounds	11 January 2026 (Sun)	(Address: Yuk Yat Street, Tokwawan, Kowloon	
Finals	18 January 2026 (Sun)		

3. Time:

9:00 am to 8:00 pm

4 Eligibility:

Open to schools that have participated in either the "SSP - Outreach Coaching Programme Football Training Course" or the "Futsal Promotion Scheme" between 1 September 2019 and 3 January 2026. Participants must be current students of the school during the competition.

5. Division and Quota:

Division	Quota
Primary School – Boys'	16 teams
(Primary school students aged 13 or younger -	
those born in 2013 or later)	
Primary School – Girls'	8 teams
(Primary school students aged 13 or younger -	
those born in 2013 or later)	
Secondary School - Boys'	24 teams
(Secondary school students aged 17 or younger -	
those born in 2009 or later)	
Secondary School – Girls'	8 teams
(Secondary school students aged 17 or younger -	
those born in 2009 or later)	

- (a) Each team may consist of 5 to 14 members. Each school may enter up to two teams for each division and must indicate priority ("Team 1" or "Team 2") on the enrolment form.
- (b) Acceptance of teams will be based on the priority specified on the enrolment form. If oversubscribed, places will be determined by ballot. If there are remaining places after the first ballot, Team 2 may be considered.
- (c) Each participant may represent only one team and compete in the division corresponding to his/her age group.
- (d) The Organiser may adjust the quota of each division based on enrolments. The final quotas for each division will be determined on the ballot day. Participating schools or participants shall raise not objections.
- (e) No changes can be made to the player list once the enrolment fee is paid.
- 6. Fee: \$380 per team
- 7. Enrolment From now until 15 December 2025 (Mon)
 Period: (The postmark date prevails.)
- 8. How to Enrol: Please submit by post or by hand the completed enrolment form, together with a crossed cheque payable to "The Football Association of Hong Kong, China Limited", to the School Sports Programme Unit of the Leisure and Cultural Services Department, 1/F, Leisure and Cultural Services Department Headquarters, 1-3 Pai Tau Street, Shatin. If an Acknowledgement Receipt from the Leisure and Cultural Services Department (LCSD) is not received before 22 December 2025 (Mon), please contact our staff at 2601 7606 or 2601 8861. Late enrolment will not be entertained.
- Quota Ballot and Fixture Draw:

The quota ballot and fixture draw will be held at 10:00 am on 19 December 2025 (Fri) at the LCSD Headquarters. Successful schools will be notified in writing. The results will also be posted on the LCSD website (http://www.lcsd.gov.hk/tc/ssp/download_info/download_html#2) on 22 December 2025 (Mon).

- 10. Awards:
- (a) The champion, the first runner-up, the second runner-up and the third runner-up team will each receive a trophy, with each member of these teams awarded a medal. The award presentation will take place immediately following the matches on the Finals day.
- (b) The top eight boys' teams and girls' teams will be invited to compete in the "Futsal Competition – Grand Final" to be held in August 2026.
- 11. Competition Format:
- (a) The preliminary rounds adopt the group single round-robin system: Primary School Boys' Division: The 16 teams are divided into 4 groups, with the **top two teams** in each group advancing to the Grand Final.

Primary School Girls' Division: The 8 teams are divided into 2

groups, with the **top two teams** in each group advancing to the Grand Final.

Secondary School Boys' Division: The 24 teams are divided into 8 groups, with the **top team** in each group advancing to the Grand Final.

Secondary School Girls' Division: The 8 teams are divided into 2 groups, with the **top two teams** in each group advancing to the Grand Final.

- (b) In the round robin, teams are awarded 3 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and 0 points for a loss or forfeit. Teams with more points will advance.
- (c) Teams that forfeit twice during the same competition stage will be disqualified with all results nullified.
- (d) If a team forfeits, the opposing team will be awarded a 0:3 win.
- (e) If teams are tied on points, the ranking will be determined according to the following order of tie breakers:
 - (i) Head-to-head result between tied teams. If the match ended in a draw, the team with a forfeiture record will be ranked lower;
 - (ii) Accumulated points of the tied teams;
 - (iii) If still tied, the team with a forfeiture record will automatically be ranked lower;
 - (iv) Goal difference (goals scored minus goals conceded) in head-to-head matches among tied teams;
 - (v) Goals scored in head-to-head matches among tied teams;
 - (vi) Overall goal difference in all group matches;
 - (vii) Total goals scored in all group matches;
 - (viii)Drawing of lots.
- (f) A single elimination system is adopted in the semi-finals and finals. In the event of a draw, the winner will be determined by penalty shoot-out (sudden death). The team that wins the coin toss gets to decide whether to take the first or second kick.
- (g) Each match lasts for 25 minutes for secondary school divisions and 20 minutes for primary school divisions, played with a running clock and without a half-time interval.
- (h) The match adopts the red and yellow card system. A player receiving 2 yellow cards during the preliminary rounds will be automatically suspended for the next match. A player receiving a red card during a match will be sent off the pitch and suspended for the next match. After being sent off, the player may not take any further part in the match and is not allow to sit on the team bench. However, the team may bring on a substitute two minutes after the sending-off. If a goal is scored before the two minutes have elapsed, the following conditions apply:
 - (i) If there are five players against four players and the team with

- more players scores a goal, the team with fewer players may be increased by one player.
- (ii) If both teams are playing with three or four players and a goal is scored, the number of players of both teams shall remain unchanged.
- (iii) If there are five or four players playing against three and the team with more players scores a goal, the team with three players may be increased by one player only.
- (iv) If the team with fewer players scores a goal, the match continues and neither team may add players.
- (i) "Accumulated foul" under Law 14 of the FIFA Futsal Laws of the Game will apply to this competition.
- (j) Substitution:
 - (i) A substitution may be made at any time during the match;
 - (ii) A substitution must be made in the designated area (i.e., near the halfway line); and
 - (iii) A player who has been substituted may return to play in the same match, with no restrictions on the number of re-entries.
- (k) All matches will be played with the futsal balls provided by the Organiser.
- (l) Unless otherwise stipulated in this prospectus, Futsal Laws of the Game approved by the FIFA shall apply. The Organiser reserves the right to revise the competition format based on the number of participating teams or other practical needs.
- 12. Appeal: No appeal will be entertained. The officiating referee's decisions on the spot shall be final. Participants shall raise no objection.
- 13. Registration: (a) Players must report to the registration desk in full jerseys 15 minutes before the scheduled kick-off time. They are required to submit a completed team sheet and present a valid photo-bearing identification document (e.g. identity card, student handbook, student card) for verification. Any team that fails to field at least 3 players (one of whom being the goalkeeper) within 5 minutes of being called will forfeit the match.
 - (b) If Tropical Cyclone Warning Signal No. 3 or above, or an Amber Rainstorm Warning Signal or above is in force at 7:00 a.m. on the match day (including days of the preliminary rounds and the finals); or the Environmental Protection Department announces an Air Quality Health Index of 10+ ("Serious" health risk level) recorded at its general monitoring station in the concerned area (i.e. Kwun Tong District/Kowloon City District); or the Education Bureau announces class suspension, all matches scheduled before 2:00 p.m. will be cancelled. If such conditions persist at 12:00 noon, all matches scheduled from 2:00 p.m. onwards will also be cancelled.

Rescheduling arrangements for affected matches will be announced in due course.

14. Additional rules:

- (a) In the event of a colour clash, the away team (based on the fixture) must change jerseys or wear numbered bibs provided by the Organiser. Failing to do so will result in a forfeit. The goalkeeper must wear colours that are distinguishable from the other players of both teams. If a team changes its team colour without permission and subsequently leads to clash of colour, that team shall be required to change. During the knockout stage, the referee shall determine which team changes by coin toss.
- (b) Players must wear appropriate flat-soled sports shoes, socks and shin guards during matches. Socks must completely cover the shin guards.
- (c) Players are not allowed to wear framed glasses or any items of jewellery that may pose danger to themselves or others. If it is necessary for a player to use other protection items such as a protective mask or goggles, a written application with a sample must be submitted to the Football Association of Hong Kong, China at least **48 hours** before the match for prior approval.
- (d) A player may be disqualified by the referee from the remainder of the competition for serious fouls or unsportsmanlike conduct. The Organiser reserves the right to take further action.
- (e) The Organiser reserves the right to adjust the competition fixture according to actual circumstances. The updated fixture announced on site shall prevail.
- (f) Once the fixture is announced, all teams must strictly adhere to the scheduled match times. No reschedule requests will be entertained.
- (g) If a team fields an unregistered player, the Organiser has the right to disqualify the team and nullify all its results.
- (h) Participating schools must assign at least one teacher or guardian aged 18 or above to remain present throughout the event, who shall be responsible for student registration and match coordination.
- (i) The Organiser will take photographs/videos/audios during the competitions, and reserves the right to display/publish these materials on the Internet, at LCSD venues, on the Organiser's dedicated website, in publications, and through other publicity channels for promotion and record purposes.
- (j) In case of any inadequacy in this Prospectus, the Organiser reserves the right to amend it at any time without further notice.

15. Enquiries

- i. School Sports Programme Unit, LCSD (Telephone No.: 2601 7602 / 2601 8861)
- ii. The Football Association of Hong Kong, China (Telephone No.: 2193 7304)