

ELLERSLIE CRICKET CLUB

NURSERY GRADE 2009 – 2010

Well come to this years cricket season and to the Ellerslie Cricket Club's Nursery Grade, which for the most of you will be your child's first introduction to cricket.

WHEN: Nursery grade plays each Friday night of a school week

WHERE: Michaels Avenue Reserve

TIME: We start at 5.00pm and finish sometime between 6.45 & 7.00pm

SEASON:

- Our first night is Friday 30th October 2009.
- We stop for school holidays on Friday 18th December 2009
- We restart the first Friday after school starts back which is February 12th 2010.
- Our last day is Friday 26th March 2010

UNIFORM:

White shorts, white 'T' shirt (You can buy a club shirt if you wish, but it is not compulsory as at this age they can change their minds!)

A hat, the children are given a 'Milo' hat at the end of the first night, but they can wear any hat they feel comfortable with.

Some sort of footwear as the grounds have an Onehunga weed (prickles) problem.

Bring a jersey as it can get cold especially at the start of the season.

EQUIPMENT:

Nil, all equipment is provided.

CANCELLATIONS:

On the Ellerslie Website after 4.00pm
www.ellersliecricket.co.nz

On Newstalk ZB at 4.00pm (Yet to be confirmed)

CONCEPT: Cricket is a very hard game to learn and at Ellerslie we adopt a skills based programme around the 'Milo' Have a Go series.

Your child will be placed into a team on the first night named after a well known 'Black Cap'. Sometimes I have to break up the teams due people being away, but for the majority of the year they will be in their own team.

For the first hour we use senior club players to coach the skills of cricket at 4 to 5 stations that the children will move to in their respective teams spending about ten minutes at each station.

At approximately 6.00pm we stop for a break and the children have the opportunity to purchase a sausage and a drink from our BBQ.

In the second part of the evening we have a game session. At the start of the season the games are basic and a learning process of hitting the ball, running and fielding. As the season progresses we move to a more structured game where they will compete against a team batting, bowling and fielding. When we get to this part of the season we score and at the end of the game we let them know who won.

Parental support and involvement is essential during the evening. In the first session we require a parent to accompany a team and in the second session we need parents to assist in running the games. PLEASE get involved.

PLAYER OF DAY:

At the end of the evening the children sit down in their teams and a player of the day is announced for each team each week. Every child will receive a player of the day award at least twice during the season.

The club has a player of the day awards evening during the season on a Friday night (After Nursery grade finishes) where the children attend and formally receive their certificates and get a small reward for their efforts. The award nights are evenly spaced throughout the season. On the last night of the year we have an overall prize giving for the grade.

CO ORDINATOR: Any questions do not hesitate to ask.

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