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**Indoor Festival Rules**

**Winter 2023/4**

**Rules for the indoor tournament**

**Please ensure that you all read, discuss and agree on the rules before you start playing.**

* Teams will be 6 players. You can bring squads of 8. Players may swap in to field only.
* Each team should provide an umpire and a scorer
* The ‘host’ club will provide the stumps and playing equipment
* Each team should bring their own balls (league playing balls)
* For ease, scoring is done on the Countdown Cricket APP

**Pairs Countdown Cricket**

* Teams bat in pairs on a 19yrd wicket (approx)
* Each innings will last 60 balls
* Pairs will face 20 balls each. This will be 4 bowlers bowling 5 balls each
* Batters will be out caught, bowled, stumped, hit wicket, run out
* Batters can be caught off the wall or ceiling (except the back wall)

If a batter is out, they should swap ends, unless they are run out at the non-strikers end.

* After 20 balls, a new pair come in to bat.
* Bowling takes place from one end only
* Bowling should be over arm only
* Wide balls are those bowled outside the marked wide area
* No balls are balls that bounce more than twice or arrive at the batter above waist height

**Playing Countdown Cricket has been chosen as it is easy to organise and score. It also maximises the number of balls faced by batters in a short amount of time.**

**Scoring Rules**

**All scoring should be recorded on the Countdown Cricket APP**

* If the ball hits the side wall, the wall behind the batter or the ceiling, they score one run
* If the batters run between the wickets, they score two runs
* If the batter hits the wall behind the bowler along the ground, they score 4 runs
* If the batter hits the wall behind the bowler without the ball touching the ground, the batter scores 6 runs.
* When batters are out, they lose 5 runs.
* Wides and no balls are 2 runs (plus any additional runs scored)

**Each club should have an assigned DBS club member and first aider**