



Dear Teacher i/c cricket,

Cozens-Hardy High School League Competition 2019

Firstly i would like to congratulate all teams on last years performances. We had over 60 teams enter the competition and also our highest ever percentage of games played which is fantastic. Credit has to go to yourselves and the players. We hope to further improve this and get more schools and children playing cricket this coming year.

To start of we are pleased to announce the league has a new sponsor and will now be know as the Cozens-Hardy High School League Competition. This is an excellent addition to the league moving forward.

This year we will once again be running the softball leagues for both Year 7's and 8's. The feedback we received last year on these leagues was fantastic and exactly what we wanted to achieve. Ben Player from Frammingham Earl said the below about new softball leagues

"The new softball league format is a great way to build students confidence in cricket. Students felt they didn't need to be a "cricketer" to enjoy a game of cricket. It allowed all players to contribute significantly to games and the quick pace of the format meant players remained engaged throughout the game. The fixtures we had last year were played in a great spirit with the emphasis on development and teamwork and less about individual performances and results. A number of players progressed from playing softball games to representing the school in hardball cricket and even onto club cricket. A great success and we look forward to games in 2019".

Hard ball leagues will continue for all year 4 year groups. We will look at last years results to try and make each league competitive but equally we will try and reduce travel times.

We are making a few changes to the leagues this year to bring the leagues in-line with ECB recommendations. The major change we will be making is that all leagues will move to 8 aside. We see this as a positive move which will encourage more teams to enter which will allow extra games. Any other rule changes will be made clear in the rules which will be circulated with the league fixtures.

The deadline for entries this year will be **Friday 1st March 2019**. Any entries received after this date will not be included. This will allow us to get the fixtures to you earlier and give you more time to arrange dates with other schools. Any problems arranging games please contact myself.

When filling out the entry form please include all team managers and an email address for them so we can keep everyone up today with how results are going over the summer.

Entry Fee's for this year will remain at £15 per school (unlimited teams / league entries). Please make cheques payable to Norfolk Cricket Board.

If you wish to enter your school in the cricket leagues, please return the entry form to me by the deadline. I prefer to exchange all information via e-mail where possible.

Once again thank you very much for your continued support, if you have any

questions please get in touch using the contact details below.

Contact Details:

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Yours sincerely,

Jack Southgate

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Norfolk Schools Cricket League Organiser

**Norwich City Schools Cricket Leagues
Season 2019
Re: League Entries**

School: _____

Contact
Name: _____

Contact
Number: _____

Email: _____

Mobile: _____

Year Group	Team Manager	Hard Ball or/and Soft Ball
U12 / Year 7		
U13 / Year 8		
U14 / Year 9		
U15 / Year 10		

I have enclosed a (cheque) for £15

(Please make cheques payable to Norfolk Cricket Board)

Please return to Jack Southgate by Friday 31st Mar 2018
[**jacksouthgate@aol.com**](mailto:jacksouthgate@aol.com)

**Or by post to:
6 Fieldings Drive, Yaxham, Dereham, NR19 1FR**