



DEVORAN SCHOOL COMMUNITY LINKS

Devoran School links with Chance to Shine through Cornwall Cricket



CHANCE
TO SHINE



Cornwall
Cricket

Devoran School is a single form primary school in the small village of Devoran. There are currently 204 pupils on roll and Year groups 1, 2, 4 and 6 took part in the *Chance to Shine* programme with Mr Shaikh and Miss Williams, Cornwall Cricket. The classes involved, were inspired and enthused by the *Spirit of Cricket* during a welcome assembly and clearly understood how to be a 'STAR' during each of the progressive lessons. Both the 'spirit of cricket' and being a 'star' concept complement our school ethos of being Ready, Respectful and Safe; The Devoran Way. This enabled all pupils to feel confident and resilient learners who were eager to perform each week... "I enjoyed playing rapid fire because it helped us to increase our accuracy with the ball. Mr Shaikh explained everything really well and made it really clear." Year 6 child

"I certainly feel that the cricket has been fantastic for the children. They are always so excited to take part and we have seen an increase in participation, especially with a few children that may have previously lacked confidence in PE class. The children are engaged, learning new skills every week and they are now applying these skills to their lessons. It has been wonderful to watch them all grow in both confidence and ability in just a few weeks." Year 1 Teacher.



Both Cornwall Cricket coaches were extremely passionate about the sport and this along with their positive energy, was infectious to all "My children talk non-stop about Wednesday Cricket. They speak really highly of the coach." Parent of Year 2 & Year 4 children.

“I really enjoyed the training sessions and the different games. The fact that everyone could have a chance to have a go was great.” Year 6 child.

For many of our children, the *Chance to Shine* programme was their first experience of learning, performing and watching the game of cricket. Both coaches were extremely mindful of this and worked alongside our school staff to ensure that all pupils had a positive, creative and challenging experience. “Through the *Chance to Shine* programme our children have developed skills, knowledge and confidence which can be transferred to a broad range of subjects in school as well as situations in life” – Headteacher

“During such a difficult time, with all local sports clubs and communities closed, it has been extremely powerful having Cornwall Cricket work alongside our staff and deliver the *Chance to Shine* Programme to our pupils. When the world is full of uncertainties, the children have relished in the comfort of having their weekly cricket session and the consistency of the *Chance to Shine Programme*”. Mrs Sarah Evans PE Co-ordinator

Each week the children were given clear instructions and lots of opportunity to demonstrate, compete and challenge their skills. “The sessions were really fun – especially when we learnt how to bat. I found it really fun because I hadn’t really played cricket before”. Year 4 child. My child told me all about their lesson on our way home from school. He enjoyed it!” Year 1 Parent.

All students took part in competitive games against their peers, the children use their Geography knowledge to identify the countries flags and then took great pride in playing for their country. The teams demonstrated great sportsmanship to encourage and support their players. “The children thoroughly enjoyed participating and celebrating their pride with the flags from various Countries” – Year 2 teacher “My child has been absolutely loving the lessons with Mr Shaikh and was raving about India’s big win all night!” Year 2 Parent

