

ECB Cricket for Teachers Course – Birkenhead Park School

Cricket has been placed firmly on the front foot in Wirral primary schools after the successful completion of another ECB Cricket for Teachers Course.

Funded by national charity 'Chance to Shine,' the course at Birkenhead Park School attracted 10 enthusiastic teachers from across the Peninsula, who will now be tasked with delivering some inspirational sessions to their pupils this summer.

Hosted by Cheshire Cricket Board, the ECB-accredited course is designed to equip teachers with the confidence and knowledge to deliver player-centred coaching sessions that maximise involvement for all children.



Most of the content is practical-based, with some useful supporting information about how the various games and practices can support the PE curriculum for Key Stage One and Two children.

Teachers also get access to the ECB's brilliant interactive coaching resource iCoach Cricket, which houses hundreds of videos and explanations to aid their planning and delivery.

"It was another thoroughly enjoyable course and the teachers really got stuck in from the word go," said Cheshire Cricket

Board Participation Manager Gareth Moorhouse.

"Some of the staff have already put their newly acquired skills into practice, using the games and drills we covered to help bring their PE sessions to life.

"We've also seen record entries for our Kwik Cricket events this summer, with many schools looking to enter B and C teams, so it's clear that Primary School Cricket on the Wirral is in a good place."

Helen Asher, PE Coordinator at Raeburn Primary School, says she is now looking forward to a fun-filled summer of cricket.

"The course was really enjoyable, fast paces with lots of practical elements," She said.

"I now have lots of new ideas for games and I know the children are going to love them. We have already entered all the competitions and some children have even joined local clubs.

"I might even get involved myself this summer with some of the Women's Soft Ball Festivals, so it really has been a worthwhile experience all round."



Richard Hinds from St Michael & All Angels school added: "Really good fun, and great to have access to iCoach too which will really help with my planning.

"Thanks to Chance to Shine and Cheshire Cricket Board for giving us this opportunity."