



U11 South ISFA National Cup Qualifiers  
Saint Nicholas School, Old Harlow, CM17 0NJ  
Wednesday 3 May 2023

## School Information Pack

Registration: 10.00am - 10.30am  
Coach's Briefing: 10.15am  
Tournament Timings: 10.30am – 3.00pm

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ISFA Finals for qualifying teams at St George's Park:

(The top team will qualify through to the finals)

Wednesday 21 June 2023 (U11)

Thursday 22 June 2023 (U13)

### Schedule/Itinerary

- Begin with the group stages.
- Final group position dictates which afternoon competition schools go into
- Results will be collated, afternoon matches confirmed as soon as possible
- You will be informed at coach's briefing where you must be to receive this information.
- The schedule will be emailed to you and you will receive a programme on the day
- There will be a final in the Cup, Plate and Bowl.

### Refereeing

ONE REFEREE per team is required for the day in case of an emergency. A fair rotation of refereeing will be implemented with neutral umpiring where possible. Please ensure that you have enough staff to cover your supervision requirements.

**QUALIFICATION OF PLAYERS** – In line with FA regulations the U11 Girls Cup is open to girls currently in school years 5 & 6, and the U13 Girls Cup is open to girls currently in school years 7 & 8.

**MAXIMUM NUMBER OF PLAYERS** – Each school is permitted a squad of no more than 10 players, only seven of whom may be on the pitch at any one time. However, it is not mandatory to bring 10 players and schools may bring less than 10 players if they wish.

**LAWS OF THE GAME** – Except where otherwise stated in this document, the normal Laws of the Game will apply. However:

There will be no offside

At all restarts players must be at least five yards from the ball

**SUBSTITUTIONS** – All substitutions are ‘roll on roll off’ meaning you can make as many substitutions during the game as you wish, subject to the substitution being carried out in accordance with Law 3 of the Laws of the Game.

**MATCHBALLS** – A size 4 ball will be used in all matches. Schools should provide a match ball for each match during the competition.

**PITCH & GOAL SIZES** – Pitch sizes will be approx 60x40 yards. Mini-soccer goals will be used at all events.

**FORMAT OF TOURNAMENTS** – The format of each individual regional qualifying tournament and the national finals day will be at the discretion of the organisers depending on the number of entries (this includes the duration of matches). The organisers reserve the right to alter the duration of matches, if appropriate, at any individual tournament.

**GROUP/LEAGUE MATCHES** – In group matches, 3 points will be awarded for a win, 1 point will be awarded for a draw. In the event of two or more schools being level on points, teams will be separated as follows:

goal difference

number of goals scored

if only two schools are involved, by the result of the match between those two schools

if none of the above are decisive, the positions will be decided by calculating a league table with the record of the lowest placed uninvolved team being omitted

if none of the above are decisive, the positions will be decided by a penalty shoot-out

**KNOCK-OUT MATCHES** – In knock-out matches, in the event of a draw, no extra-time will be played. In all matches a match ending in a draw will be determined by the taking of penalty kicks. Each team will take three penalty kicks in the first instance, with further kicks to be taken if required. Only players that finish the match on the field will be permitted to take a penalty; other players will remain outside the playing area during the taking of the kicks.

**DISCIPLINE** – Whenever possible, it is hoped to play this tournament without recourse to official disciplinary sanctions by referees and that, when appropriate, coaches will take responsibility for substituting players before such sanctions become necessary. However, in unlikely and extreme cases, the referee must have the power to resort to official action. Therefore:

a) Yellow cards: Any player receiving a yellow card will be suspended from his/her school's next match in the tournament.

b) Red cards: In the unlikely event of a player receiving a red card, they will be suspended from their school's next match(es), the number of games to be determined by the Tournament Referee. The tournament referee will have sole discretion to determine the length of any sanction.

**SPECTATORS** – Each school is responsible for the conduct of its supporters. The organisers reserve the right to require a spectator (or spectators) to leave the premises if, in their opinion, his/her behaviour is inappropriate.

**QUALIFYING FROM REGIONAL EVENTS** – **The top school** from each regional qualifier will be invited to take part at the National Finals Day. The organisers reserve the right to invite additional teams from a qualifier if spare places become available.

Final's day is taking place at St George's Park on Wednesday 21 June 2023 (U11) and Thursday 22 June 2023 (U13).

### Photography

There will be no official photography company present on the day. Parents and carers of participants under the age of 18 who wish to take images are requested to focus on their

own children as much as reasonably possible and to avoid including other children in images, particularly if those images are being shared with family and friends or through social media platforms.

Whilst it is acknowledged that parents/carers wish to celebrate the achievements of their own children when taking part in aquatic events, it should be recognised and respected that other parents/carers may not wish for their child's image to be taken and shared in this way.

### **Social Media**

If you are active on social media, then please do tag @isasportUK or use #ISAsport

### **Etiquette**

We know that the behaviour of ISA children is already excellent but please encourage your children to thank officials and other members of staff as without them, this opportunity would not be possible. Please adhere to the FA Code of Conduct below. Spectators, Coaches and Players must refrain from using any negative language at all times. This event is designed to be a fun and enjoyable day for the participants so please respect this by remaining positive!

*Code of Conduct*

<https://www.junleague.com/sdjsldocumentcollective/05025d420dfa063ed89e1349da608234.pdf>

### **First Aid**

There will be first aid cover provided on the day by Trident Medical Ltd and they will be clearly visible to you and spectators. You as staff will be responsible for initial contact with any injured player, followed by a signal/message to the first aiders if you require their expertise.

If you have any questions, then please do contact Emily or Jordan using the contact details below:

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