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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am writing to you as the manager of the Ben Hollioake Learning Centre, which is located at the Kia Oval in Kennington. The Centre is a joint venture between Surrey County Cricket Club and the Wyvern federation of schools and was originally part of a national scheme called *Playing for Success*.

We are excited to announce the third edition of our **Ben Hollioake Team** for Year 5 and 6 students. This initiative aims to enhance the skills of talented young cricketers and allow them to further their knowledge of cricket, work with and meet children from other schools, and promote teamwork, discipline, and physical fitness.

Your child would have previously attended schemes with us either during or after school and has been identified by our coaching team as having cricketing potential. The team will provide an opportunity for pupils drawn from a group of local schools to train and enjoy the game of cricket in a supportive and fun environment. Our coaching team will guide the students through both the fundamentals of cricket and more advanced techniques.

The team will have an opportunity to train together over the winter months building on their cricketing skills that they have naturally shown to us in lessons. These weekly sessions throughout the Autumn and Winter terms will help build team camaraderie ready for later on in the school year where we will organise a trip to compete against other cricket club junior age-groups. More details of this will come in due course.

The training starts on **Tuesday 3rd November** and will continue throughout the school year excluding half term. Please note there will be an additional session which will be a tournament hosted at the Kia Oval (more details to follow in the Summer Term).

The sessions will run from 4pm - 5:15pm (unless otherwise stated). We will work with your child's school to ensure that they are safely transported to the Oval at the end of the school day. Your child will need to be picked up from the Alec Stewart gate at the Oval at the end of the session.

We have identified approximately 20 children from a group of local schools to represent the team and your child has been selected for this exciting opportunity. I need to stress that once you have signed up attendance is required and would appreciate your support in ensuring that your child attends on a weekly basis. Please also ensure that they bring appropriate P.E. kit in order to participate in these sessions.

Please see and fill out the information sheet so that we have all necessary information about your child and I would be grateful for the prompt return of this page to the school office. Please do not hesitate to contact me (details below) if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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