



# Teddy Cricket Parents Guide



## Introducing Head Ted

Hello, my name is Head Ted and I am the head coach at the Teddy Cricket Club (TCC). I thought it would be best just to tell you a few things about how I run things at the TCC so you know what to expect.

Teddy Cricket is a fantastic education programme that inspires children aged 2 ½ to 5½ years to get active and to learn to play Cricket. It works by combining Music, Pictures and Teddy Bear Characters into a totally interactive learning adventure that young children love. My job is not only to ensure the Cub Cadets learn how to play Cricket but they have FUN too!

## Teddy Cricket Lessons

Teddy Cricket lessons have been carefully designed so as to develop a combination of Movement, Batting and Fielding/Ball Skills. The key components of the programme are music and pictures; the music provides the rhythm and timing for the different Teddy Cricket games and exercises, the pictures are used to show

the children how to play - the combination works brilliantly. Teddy Cricket will develop each Cub Cadet's athletic capabilities, improve their co-ordination, grow their confidence, enhance their communication skills and encourage them to come back for more .....FUN!



## Teddy Cricket Equipment

Head Ted will provide all the equipment necessary to play Teddy Cricket but we would recommend that you purchase a bat, bails and ball for practice at home.

We supply custom designed, lightweight bats and balls which are perfect for budding Cub Cadets.

To find out more about Teddy Cricket equipment either speak to Head Ted, visit our website or Amazon.



## Food and Drink



Most Teddy Cricket lessons incorporate a short break and Head Ted would strongly recommend that every Cub Cadet comes along to a lesson with some water a banana or apple. Head Ted does not like to see fizzy drinks, crisps or chocolate!



## Teddy Cricket Club (TCC) - Cub Cadet Rules

**Every Cub Cadet must:-**

- 1. Always listen to Head Ted.**
- 2. Always try to do their best.**
- 3. Bring a full water bottle to Teddy Cricket Training.**
- 4. Must turn up to Teddy Cricket Training on time.**





### Teddy Cricket Teams

There are 8 Teddy Cricket teams at the TCC; Cub Cadets will join the team that matches their age, experience and ability. During the course of their Teddy Cricket training, Cub Cadets will progress through different teams.

#### For 2½ to 3 Year Olds



Beginners

#### For 3 to 4 Year Olds



Beginners

Improvers

Intermediates

#### For 4 to 5+ Year Olds



Beginners

Improvers

Intermediates

Graduates

In the beginning, we will help you choose the right Teddy Cricket team for your Cub Cadet and just to make doubly sure we have things right, Head Ted will do an assessment during the first lesson so as to ensure everyone is where they should be.

### Teddy Cricket Tunes



We have especially written and recorded all the music that is used in all Teddy Cricket lessons. The rhythm of each song is just right to help with the timing in every Teddy Cricket game; the words of the songs tell the children what to do..... the songs also enhance the whole Teddy Cricket experience making it inspirational and fun for all.

You can download a sample of our songs from the Teddy Cricket website.

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### Where can Teddy Cricket be played?

Teddy Cricket can be played anywhere indoors or outdoors; all that is required is a 'safe' playing space with a surface where the balls can bounce.



Cricket and sport clubs are ideal locations but Teddy Cricket can be played in schools, nurseries and kindergartens too.

### Teddy Cricket Clothing

Cub Cadets need to be dressed in suitable 'sports' clothing including training shoes. If it is likely to be cold a fleece or sweatshirt will be needed. Being a 'team' sport we would encourage parents to purchase the Teddy Cricket t-shirts and shorts; the Cub Cadets look very smart in the Teddy Cricket Club uniform. Speak to Head Ted or check out the web site for details.



### Teddy Cricket and Educational Development

All Teddy Cricket games and lessons have been constructed in a particular way so that they will aid children's learning and development through the seven Early Years Foundation Stage (EYFS) key areas.

#### EYFS Areas of Learning and Development

##### PRIME AREAS

- Social and Emotional Development
- Physical Development
- Communication and Language

##### SPECIFIC AREAS

- Literacy
- Mathematics
- Understanding the World
- Expressive Art and Design

### Find Out More & Book Lessons

To find out more about Teddy Cricket please visit our website [www.teddycricket.co.uk](http://www.teddycricket.co.uk).

All Teddy Cricket Classes are published on the website; go to the 'Where to Play' section and you will see a list of the various locations. To book lessons either use the On-Line Booking System or call our Booking Line on 0345 643 1173 (Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm) or speak to Head Ted at your local Teddy Cricket Club. We will look forward to seeing you and you children very soon!



Amanda Panda



Anna Bear



Boris Bear



Charlie Bear