



BeeBall Introduction

The BeeBall is a modified version of baseball and softball for children. The game is a small team game for boys and girls with a bat and a ball. A game that is all about being active and having FUN. We do not take score in the BeeBall Rookie age group (4-6 years old). BeeBall is recognised by the Confederation European Baseball and the European Softball Federation as the best junior entry point program to introduce children to the game of baseball and softball. The program can also be run by local clubs in addition to schools.

Schools BeeBall

We would like to suggest to get at least 3 teams in your school participating so that they can play each other each week and practise one day a week. Teams can be divided into houses, if your school has these, or you can divide teams equally and give them fun names. When we host the BeeBall Championships on Saturday 8 June, you can either bring along all those teams or choose one team to represent your school. Please check the rules (a separate attachment on the BeeBall page).

The game is the focus

Players develop skills through fun, game-like activities (by playing the game rather than through traditional skills and drills).

Observe player involvement

How do we do this? When observing the game being played, and player involvement and responses, ask yourself the following questions:

- Is the game safe?
- Are all the players having fun?
- Are all the players engaged in the game?
- Is the game working?
- Do all players understand the game?
- Is the objective of the game being achieved?
- Are all the players being included?
- Is participation being maximised?
- Is the game appropriate to the ability of each player?
- Are all players being challenged?

If the answer to any of the above question is NO, then CHANGE IT!!!

For more information or to register your team/s, or be part of our BeeBall programme, please email Amber on beeball@kznschoolssoftball.co.za



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Objective

Hitting – Learning the basics through continuous activities.

Time

60 minutes.

Equipment

Marker cones

Bases,

Batting tees,

Vests/bibs

Safety bats (foam covered) or wood

Tennis racquets or similar

Foam balls or tennis balls

(insert lesson 1 attachment here)

Lesson 2

Objective

Throwing – short, sharp energisers that teach the fundamentals of throwing.

Time

60 minutes.

Equipment

Marker cones

Bases,

Batting tees,

Vests/bibs

Safety bats (foam covered) or wood

Tennis racquets or similar

Foam balls or tennis balls



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Large target balls (beach balls for example)

(insert Lesson 2 attachment here)

Lesson 3

Objective

Fielding – learning the fundamental skills required for fielding and the various positions and terminology for baseball and softball through various games – some classics, some new! This lesson also focusses on throwing, communication and teamwork.

Time

60 minutes.

Equipment

Marker cones

Bases,

Batting tees,

Vests/bibs

Safety bats (foam covered) or wood

Tennis racquets or similar

Foam balls or tennis balls

(insert attachment – Lesson 3 here)

Lesson 4

Objective

Running – short, sharp energisers which teach the basics of running bases through game sense activities. Team work is crucial, team relay members need to encourage other team members!

Time

60 minutes.

Equipment

Marker cones

Bases



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Hitting tees

Bean bags (school to supply)

Hoops (school to supply)

Foam covered safety bats or wood

Foam balls or tennis balls

Lesson 5

Objective

Hitting – applying some of the basic hitting skills learnt so far to some slightly harder games and activities.

Time

60 minutes

Equipment

Marker cones

Bases

Hitting tees

Bean bags (school to supply)

Hoops (school to supply)

Foam covered safety bats or wood

Foam balls or tennis balls

Tennis racquets or similar

Lesson 6

Objective

Fielding – applying some of the basic fielding skills learnt so far to become slightly harder games and drills. This lesson also focuses on throwing, communication and team work.

Time

60 minutes



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Equipment

Marker cones

Bases

Hitting tees

Bean bags (school to supply)

Hoops (school to supply)

Foam covered safety bats or wood

Foam balls or tennis balls

Tennis racquets or similar

Large target balls (big netball balls, soccer balls, beach balls)

(insert lesson 6 attachments here)

Lesson 7

Objective

We shall now play the game of BeeBall!!!!!!

Kids get to apply all the skills learnt over the past 6 lessons to a game of BeeBall – including hitting, throwing, fielding, running, communication, team work and good sportsmanship.

Time

60 minutes

Equipment

Marker cones

Bases

Foam covered safety bats or wood

Foam balls

(insert lesson 7 attachments here)



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