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School Programme 2013 - a halftime report



SCHOOL PROGRAMME 2013 - an initiative in conjunction with the Barbados Secondary Schools' Football League

On 21st January 2013 THE BREWSTER TRUST launched the "School Programme 2013", a football initiative in Barbados in conjunction with the Barbados Secondary Schools' Football League (BSSFL) and coaches from Arsenal FC – the motto: Shoes off. Boots on. Following its Mission Statement to promote, develop and improve football in Barbados and to create opportunities – especially for the youth – the registered charity offers support with a coaching course for coaches, football sessions for students and equipment for schools.



Coaching at schools

After the coaching course for the Secondary Schools' coaches with in total 51 registered participants from 24 secondary schools at the Samuel Jackman Prescod Polytechnic in January 2013 the weekly coaching courses at individual secondary schools started. The schools had the choices "Curriculum Sessions", Double Club which includes an academic part combining general literacy and football, after school programme or a community session on Saturday mornings. 22 Secondary Schools registered for the weekly sessions till the end of the actual academic year - in numbers: 36 sessions or over 62 hours of football weekly, provided by the Arsenal coaches Dana Podmolikova, Niall Conwell, Cedric Johnson and Jamie Hunter.

The registered charity scheduled for the last eleven weeks 406 football sessions, 5'665 students took part including nearly 40% girls. The programme will continue after the actual holiday break.

Further information: http://www.football.bb/projects/school-programme-2013/

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About our organisation:

THE BREWSTER TRUST, founded on April 22nd 2010, is a registered charity (No. 825). The trust's mission is to promote, develop and improve football in Barbados with the aim of creating opportunities at all levels but especially for the youth. To impart the qualities of leadership and loyalty, sportsmanship, competitive ambition and the drive for academic excellence as well as discipline, fair play and respect is the Charity's ultimate goal just as the fruitful cooperation with all national and international football stakeholders.