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### School Programme 2014



On Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2014, THE BREWSTER TRUST launched the "School Programme 2014", a football initiative in Barbados in conjunction with the Ministry of Education, Science, Technology and Innovation, the Barbados Secondary Schools' Football League (BSSFL) and coaches from Arsenal FC – the motto: "Football is Fun". 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 and football sessions for students during the second and third term of the actual academic year.

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## **Coaching course**

The programme kicked off last week with a coaching course for the secondary schools' coaches with in total 34 registered participants representing 19 schools; Dean Miller of Arsenal FC held the course at the Samuel Jackman Prescod Polytechnic. The focus of the three days have been aspects like passing and receiving including body position, communication, weight of the pass or first touch, defending, attacking, combination play as well as principles of play like attack, dispersion, mobility, penetration and defence, delay, compactness or balance. Individual assessments as well as some insights with regards to health, nutrition, tactics, motivation or team building completed the sessions. The participating coaches received a documentation of the course and the official FIFA Laws of the Game.

Also included in the course was a match analysis; the BSSFL scheduled the first quarter-final of the actual U-19 competition for Tuesday afternoon, the coaches have seen Daryll Jordan Secondary School versus Pinehill St. Leonard's Boys' Secondary School, the St. Lucy team qualified for the semi finals, Jamar Cumberbatch scored in the 79th minute.



*Participants of the coaching course*

Statistics: the programme started with 34 registered coaches/teachers, 27 (79.41%) attended on Monday, 23 (67.65%) on Tuesday and again 27 (79.41%) on Wednesday. 19 participants (55.88%) attended on all three days; the average attendance of over 75% has significantly improved compared to last year.

## **Football sessions for students**

On last Thursday THE BREWSTER TRUST started the weekly coaching courses at individual schools, held by coaches from Arsenal FC / Arsenal in the Community. 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. 27 secondary and tertiary schools registered, six more than last year, when in total 9'293 students attended.



The sessions are delivered by two coaching teams, each with two Arsenal coaches and shadowed by the schools' coaches. Every session contains at least a proper warm-up, one drill like passing, dribbling, control or shooting and finally a game element. With the initiative THE BREWSTER TRUST runs weekly 32 sessions or 64 hours of football.

### The weekly schedule

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>Team I</b>						
8.00						
8.30	St. Leonard's Boys' Secondary School curriculum session					
9.00		Princess Margaret Secondary School Double Club	Deighton Griffith Secondary School curriculum session	Government Industrial School Double Club	Parkinson Memorial Secondary School curriculum session	The Lester Vaughan School community session
9.30						
10.00						
10.30						
11.00						
11.30						
12.00						
12.30		Princess Margaret Secondary School Double Club	Alexandra School curriculum session	Springer Memorial Secondary curriculum session	Princess Margaret Secondary School Double Club	
13.00						
13.30						
14.00						
14.30						
15.00						
15.30	Queen's College after-school	Graydon Sealy Secondary School after-school	Samuel Jackman Prescod Polytechnic after-school	Combermere School after school	The Codrington School after-school	
16.00						
16.30						
17.00						
17.30						
18.00						
<b>Team II</b>						
8.00						
8.30						
9.00	St. George Secondary School curriculum session	The St. Michael School curriculum session	St. Winifred's School Double Club			Alma Parris Memorial Secondary School community session
9.30				Frederick Smith Secondary School Double Club	Barbados Community College curriculum session	
10.00						
10.30						
11.00						
11.30			Daryll Jordan Secondary School curriculum session			
12.00						
12.30		12:40 - 14:00 Elerslie Secondary School curriculum session		Alma Parris Memorial Secondary School Double Club	Coleridge & Parry School after-school	
13.00	13:20 - 14:40 The Lester Vaughan School curriculum session		14:00 - 16:00 The Lodge School after-school			
13.30						
14.00		14:45 - 16:15 Grantley Adams Memorial School after-school				
14.30						
15.00	15:30 - 17:30 Alleyne School after-school			16:00 - 18:00 Harrison College after-school	Christ Church Foundation School	
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Further information: <http://www.football.bb/projects/school-programme-2014/>

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### About our organisation:

THE BREWSTER TRUST, founded on April 22<sup>nd</sup> 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.

31<sup>st</sup> Annual National Sports Awards, Barbados, February 2014: THE BREWSTER TRUST received a "Special Award" in recognition of an outstanding contribution to the sport of football during 2013.