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Calderdale Yr3-6 Primary Boccia

OPEN ENTRY

Date & Time:	Wednesday 13 th November 2019 – 1.00pm – 3.30pm
Venue:	North Bridge Leisure Centre, Halifax
Format:	Calderdale School Games Event – Leading to West Yorkshire Finals (25/3/20)
Age group(s):	Year 3-6 – no gender quota
Team & squad numbers:	3 players in team with min of 1 person with a disability. Max. 6 in a squad.
Kit / Equipment / PPE:	Players should wear appropriate sportswear. All equipment is provided.
How to enter:	CLICK HERE TO REGISTER YOUR TEAM/S
Cost to enter:	Calderdale School Games Programme members – FREE NONE Programme members - £20.00 per school (to be invoiced) <i>Please contact if you are unsure if you are a Calderdale School Games Programme member</i>
Closing Date for Entries:	Closing date for entries – Wednesday 6th November 2019

The competition is specifically aimed at those competitors with a physical impairment and/or severe and mild learning difficulties.

Squad Requirements:

- A team shall consist of 3 competitors (max 6 per team), 1 of whom must have a disability.
- Competitors may be male or female but teams are encouraged to enter at least one boy and one girl.
- Competitors can be rotated if needed.
- Reserves can only be swapped between ends.
- All squad members are required to play on the day.

Competition Format:

- Matches will consist of 3 ends - one team starting each end and the third end with the jack placed on the cross. Should teams drop out on the day the umpires will have the right to make all games longer (more ends) to give competitors more play.
- The competition will be held as a round robin format followed by semi-final and final, with simultaneous play on one, two or three courts.
- The playing area will be approximately 6m wide by 10m long.

Competition Rules:

- Boccia is a game similar to bowls where each team's objective is to try and position their balls as close to the white target ball (jack) as possible.
- The choice of colour of balls will be decided by a coin spin (red or blue).
- Each competitor will have a maximum of 2 balls each, even when a team consists of one, two or three competitors.

- All competitors must be seated and remain in their area, at all times.
- To propel the ball a competitor may throw, roll or kick the ball. An assisted device or 'chute' may be used if required.
- If a competitor has someone assisting them using a device, the assistant must have their back to court at all time during play. Only one person can assist a competitor at a time. The 'chute' must remain within the boxed area during play.
- The side playing red balls always initiates the first end.
- The first designated competitor (red) propels the jack ball then propels their first ball as close to the jack ball as possible. The following competitor (blue) then propels their first ball.
- If the white jack ball is thrown out of court before match starts, then it goes to 1st blue competitor and so down the line until the jack is left to be played in court. If the jack is knocked out of court during play, it will be re-positioned on the "replaced jack cross".
- The competitor who throws the jack also throws the first coloured ball.
- The order of play will depend on whether red or blue ball is nearest the jack. The side to throw next will be the side whose ball is the further away to the jack ball, unless they have thrown all their balls in which case the other side will throw next.
- Any balls thrown out of court or landing on the boundary line become "dead" balls and not counted.
- When all balls are played the score is counted for the end. When all ends have been played the match will be scored accordingly.
- All team balls situated nearer the jack ball than the closest opposing team balls will receive one point each.
- If two or more balls of different colours are situated exactly the same distance from the jack ball, each team is given one point.
- These rules have been taken from the international Paralympic committee/CP-ISRA international boccia rules handbooks.

Competition Scoring:

- Points will be scored based on number of ends won.
- The semi-finalists will be the top placed teams in each group e.g. either the team with the most points in each group (assuming four groups) or the top two teams with most points (assuming two groups).
- In the event of two teams being equal on points at the end of the group stage, points against will be used.

Equipment or sportswear required by competitors:

- Personalised ramps may be used and these will be provided.
- Competitors must not wear any jewellery and hair must be tied back.
- Boccia balls and additional chutes will be provided.

Behaviour:

- All competitors, helpers and Team Managers are asked to respect fair play and play the game in a competitive but fair way.
- The Sport Organiser and a Games Referee will consult over any disputes.
- The referee's decision is final.

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