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Chairperson's Welcome



It gives me great pleasure to welcome you back to hopefully another successful football and academic season. May I start by congratulating the Provincial & National Winners from last season. I would like to express my appreciation to all the schools that participated in the various competitions throughout the year.

FAI Schools have produced this information brochure to provide teachers and competition organisers with the relevant information for their school calendar for the year ahead.

Please take note of the relevant personnel responsible for affiliation and competition entry, panel registration, play by dates for cup competitions, etc. It is your responsibility to be aware of the applicable dates.

Finally, I would like to pay tribute to our title sponsors UMBRO, one of the World's leading manufacturers of sports gear. We look forward to a long and mutually beneficial relationship. We have enjoyed three excellent years with our title sponsors who have added a new vitality to our National competition.

Mr. Tom Bolger
Chairman
FAI Schools

The Football Association of Ireland in conjunction with the Football Association of Ireland Schools has devised the 'Schools' Development Plan' to operate in conjunction with the Association's Technical Development Plan.

The FAI Schools mission is to provide students and teachers with opportunities for continuous development, built on positive values and in an enjoyable learning environment, through participation in football.

The overall aim is to work with schools, to implement football programmes in a complimentary way to their overall goals within the current education system. This brochure as well as the schools plan will provide clear guidance on how to jointly achieve this overall goal. As with the FAI Technical Plan, this plan has been developed with a clear focus on a player centered approach.

Areas which are covered are:

- **Buntús Programme** – involves the provision of equipment and training to primary schools and teachers who can then deliver football sessions to their pupils during their PE classes or in extra-curricular activity.
- **Futsal** – the official FIFA and UEFA version of indoor 5-a-side football is currently being promoted strongly in schools.
- **Football for All** – the range of opportunities for schools players with a disability is being developed. Key achievements have already been realised in Special Olympics, Cerebral Palsy Sport Ireland, Irish Deaf Sports Association and in various workshops and courses.
- **Intercultural Programme** – to integrate all nationalities and people from all backgrounds regardless of ethnicity, nationality, culture or colour of skin. The FAI launched the Intercultural Development Plan in June 2007.
- **Coach Education** – regular coaching courses for all levels of the game. There are specific teacher only courses.

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FAI Schools

FAI Schools was established in 1968 as the Irish Secondary Schools Football Association. However, football had been played for 13 years prior to that with the Leinster Schools Easter Vacation League having just two official schools entering, though there were a number of "unofficial" members, given the external influences that prevailed at the time! By the mid sixties, this league had grown to over forty teams representing schools in the Dublin area while a similar organisation was being established in the West. Indeed, in 1966 & 1967 the winners of the Connacht Schools' Cup played the Leinster champions for the Irish Schools' Senior Cup. Following some moves to co-ordinate the running of schools football with the ISSFA, the first ever Football Association of Irish Schools was formed in 1970. Nearly forty years later, the Association now boasts a membership of over 500 second level schools as well as 800 primary schools. Each year, the FAI Schools organises football for more than 80,000 students throughout the country.

FAI Schools established its first International Under 18s Boys' team in 1988 while it fielded its first International Girls' team at Under 15 level in 2002.

Primary Schools

Football in primary schools has been played for many years but it's only in recent years that it has begun to develop rapidly. Primary schools were active in major urban centres, Kildare and Donegal but the advent of a National 5 a side competition saw significant growth in participation throughout the country. While there is now football at primary level in each of the 26 counties, there remains major scope for development and expansion.

Primary schools also have equal representation at Branch Executive and National Executive level and primary school teachers are now active at all levels of the Association.

Secondary Schools

Football in second level schools has been organised along competitive lines since the late 1960s. Initially a handful of Dublin schools were involved but over time participation has grown to the current level where schools from every county in the country are involved. Nowadays two out of every three secondary schools take part at some level in FAI Schools Cup competitions. There are now ten Cup competitions from first year through to senior Boys and Girls that provide All Ireland winners. There are long established representative competitions at Interprovincial and International level for both boys and girls.

Current Status

Schools football in Ireland is currently overseen by FAI Schools. Some of the programmes of activity that take place are as follows:

Competitions

The Association is responsible for ten National Cups at second level while there are in excess of thirty other competitions held throughout the four branches. Meanwhile at Primary level, the ever popular Five a Side event attracts over 15,000 competitors across the country while there are also local competitions in Donegal, Dublin as well as Cork and Waterford.

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FAI Schools

The FAI Schools organises an annual Interprovincial representative tournament for Boys Under 18 and Girls Under 15 and both competitions are the key recruiting process for underage International squads.

International Football

Boys Under 18

Irish Schools International games have been played since 1988. In 1988 the Irish Schools team played in the Celtic Cup with Northern Ireland, Scotland and Wales. They have won the competition every year since 1998 except 2000 (holders retain trophy if teams are equal on points).

The Irish Schools now also compete in the Centenary Shield since 2003, with Northern Ireland, England, Scotland and Wales. They were winners of this competition in 2003, 2004 (joint winners in 2005 with Northern Ireland) and 2008.

Girls Under 15

The FAI Schools under 15 Girls Development Squad have been playing since 2002 in the Celtic Nations Trophy formerly known as the Bob Docherty Tournament with Scotland, Northern Ireland and Wales. They have won the competition four times, most recently in 2008 while hosting the event in Salthill Devon FC, Galway.

Structure

FAI Schools is an affiliate to the Football Association of Ireland (FAI). The Association is governed by an National Executive and it is divided into Provincial Branches as follows:

- Leinster;
- Ulster;
- Munster;
- Connacht.

Each Branch is then subdivided into three Sections as follows:

- a) A Primary Section;
- b) A Post-primary Girls Section;
- c) A Post-primary Boys Section.

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Affiliation & Competition Entry

Provincial Branch Secretaries are responsible for the affiliation of schools to the various competitions.

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- Please note that there are various cut off dates for entry to competitions within each Branch
- Application forms will be issued in due course to all schools who express an interest in entering teams for the 2009/10 season.

First Year Competition

- The first Year Cup is open to first year students only.
- Students must satisfy two criteria (i) they must be first years and (ii) they must be underage (born on or after 1st August 1995 - U14).

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Affiliation & Competition Entry

First Year Girls Competition

- The provincial winners of the girls' competition will compete in a blitz tournament which will be held on Saturday, 8 & Sunday, 9 May 2010 in Athlone.
- This will consist of a round robin tournament, with roll on, roll off substitutions, 2 points for a win, 1 point for a draw and no points for a loss.
- Accommodation and meals will be provided to a strict number of authorized parties.
- The official party will ONLY cater for 16 players plus 2 teachers. Please note that no additional players or management will be permitted to participate at the tournament.

Minor Boys Competition

- The winners of the Minor Boys All Ireland Cup Final will be offered the opportunity to represent FAI Schools in the Schools Association Football International Board (SAFIB) Cup which will take place in May 2010.
- If for any reason, the winners do not take up the offer, the runners up of the competition will be invited to participate. In the event that neither schools take up the offer, a semi finalists will then be invited to attend the tournament.
- The official party will ONLY cater for 16 players, 2 management and 1 physiotherapist. FAI Schools will be sending a representative as Head of Delegation.
- Teams will be invited to arrive at the hotel the afternoon of the commencement of the tournament.
- A cost will be levied on each school participating to cover accommodation and meals.
- Additional costs will include travel arrangements to and from the location, hotel and match venue. Please note that this will be the personal responsibility of each school to organise themselves and pay for.
- FAI Schools will make a contribution of €2,000 (Euro) to the school participating in the competition to compensate for part of the travel and accommodation costs, the remaining amount will have to be paid by the school.

Senior "B" Competition

- The U18 "B" Cup is open to small schools. Only schools with fewer than 200 pupils on the school roll may apply. Pupil numbers will be taken from the previous academic year.

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Primary Competition

FAI Schools Primary 5-a-side competition

The FAI Schools Primary 5 A Side is the biggest and best competition in the Primary Schools Soccer Calendar. The competition will kick off in March and April, with Provincial and National Finals taking place this May. The winners from each county will go forward to their Provincial Finals and then they will battle it out at the National Finals.

There are 5 divisions to suit all school sizes. While FAI Schools encourage boys and girls to play on the same team, there is also a separate competition for girls' schools. A number of teams can represent one school depending on the size of their student body, giving more children the chance to develop their skills in a safe, child centered and exciting environment.

The event saw over 14,000 children participate last year. The competition has been running since the mid 1990's, the event is more popular than ever with 914 schools involved in 2008.

The growth of football across the country can be attributed to the FAI's Regional Development Officers, who have been vital in increasing the number of schools playing the sport, and to the dedication of local organisers who volunteer to run competitions in a professional and meticulous manner.

3rd and 4th class Futsal

Futsal is the official FIFA version of indoor 5 a side football. It is played between two teams of five players, one of whom is the goalkeeper, and up to seven substitutes per team may be used. Unlike some other forms of indoor football, the game is played on a hard court surface delimited by lines; walls or boards are not used.

Futsal is also played with a smaller ball with less bounce than a regulation football. The ball and rules create an emphasis on improvisation, creativity and technique as well as refining ball control, passing and dribbling in small spaces.

After a successful pilot last season, the programme will be rolled out on a national basis this year. The Primary Schools competition caters for boys and girls in 3rd and 4th class. The programme delivers a quality fast paced action packed game focusing on skill, speed and technique.

Competitions will run between October and December with ultimately schools crowned as County champions.

Dublin Primary Section

FAI Schools, Dublin Primary Section offers 11-a-side competition for schools in the Dublin area. The season runs from early March to early June. There are now over 100 schools participating in our competitions and the numbers are growing every year. There are competitions for boys and girls. There are cup and league competitions based on school size and geographic area. League competitions are organised to minimise travel. Cup competitions are an open draw and are confined to Dublin.

Our games are played in a sporting manner with the emphasis on enjoyment and player welfare.

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Buntús Initiative



The programme is part of the FAI's grassroots programme which is an integral component of the Association's Technical Development Plan. Buntús programmes are delivered to Primary School children to participate in football from a young age. Equally the Buntús Programme seeks to encourage primary school teachers to understand the game and to provide them with a basic skill set to manage and develop the game with confidence in their classes.

The programme which includes a comprehensive kit bag of equipment and training aids for teachers is delivered by the FAI Regional Development Officers (RDOs) nationwide.

The FAI Buntús Programme is part of the broader Irish Sports Council (ISC) Schools Initiative which works with the Local Sports Partnerships (LSPs) to encourage participation of young people in all sports.



For further information on the Irish Sports Council's LSP Initiative please click on: http://www.irishsportsCouncil.ie/Participation/Local_Sports_Partnerships/

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Buntús Initiative

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Buntús Initiative

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Post Primary School

The Association is responsible for the organization of ten National Cups at second level while there are in excess of thirty other competitions held throughout the four Branches.

- Senior B Boys & Girls Cup (U18 for small schools)
- Senior Boys & Girls Cup (U18 for large schools)
- Junior Boys & Girls Cup (U16)
- Minor Boys & Girls Cup (U14)
- First Year Boys & Girls Cup

FAI Schools organizes an annual Interprovincial representative tournament for Boys Under 18 and Girls Under 15 and both competition are the key recruiting process for underage International squads.

The Boys Interprovincial will take place from 16 to 18 October 2009 while the Girls Interprovincial will take place from 6 to 8 November 2009. Both Interprovincial tournaments will be held in Athlone and Tullamore this year.

1st year Futsal competition

Futsal is the official FIFA version of indoor 5 a side football. It is played between two teams of five players, one of whom is the goalkeeper, and up to seven substitutes per team. Unlike some other forms of indoor football, the game is played on a hard court surface delimited by lines; walls or boards are not used.

Futsal is also played with a smaller ball with less bounce than a regulation football. The ball and the rules create an emphasis on improvisation, creativity and technique as well as refining ball control, passing and dribbling in small spaces.

The Post Primary Schools event caters for boys and girls in first year. The programme delivers a quality fast paced action packed game focusing on skill, speed and technique.

Competitions begin in November with Provincial and National Finals in January. There is a competition in each county and the winners from each section (boys & girls) progress to their respective Provincial Finals and then on to the Nationals.

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FAI Football for All Programme



This programme was initiated to assist and develop Football opportunities for all players with a disability. The FAI has taken a leading step in the promotion and development of a clear pathway so as to encourage players with a disability to participate in Football.

THE MAIN ACTION AREAS ARE:

- Increased Participation
- Player development
- Funding and PR
- Women's Football
- Coach Education
- Competition Structures
- Inclusion Workshops

The FAI recognises that some people or communities start from a disadvantaged position and may need proactive assistance from the Association to gain access to all opportunities that exist in football.

The Football for All programme is made up of players from all groups and sporting bodies that cater for people with a disability who want to play football. At the moment the FAI have 3,500 players participating in their various programmes.

These groups include: Special Olympics Ireland, Irish Powerchair Football, FFA Schools, Irish Deaf Football, Acquired Brain Injuries, Irish Blind Sports, Cerebral Palsy Sport, Irish Wheelchair Sport, Rehab Care NLN, Amputee Football and Street Leagues Football.

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FAI Football for All Programme

The football for all programme also supports seven international disability squads competing at the highest level at European and world competitions. The teams involved are:

- Special Olympics Ireland
- Cerebral Palsy Football (Paralympics Football)
- Irish Deaf Football (Male & Female)
- Irish Partially Sighted Football
- FFA Schools
- Irish Street Leagues

All international players competing in competitive competition each year are recognized by the FAI with an international cap. Players who feel they have the potential and ability to compete at the highest level in disability football should contact Oisín Jordan. For further information in relation to this programme please contact:

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Futsal Programme

Futsal is the official FIFA and UEFA version of 5 a side football. The rules of the game are designed to encourage skilful play and to promote the safety of participants. It is the ideal format of football for schools as it can be easily played in many of the facilities that they have available.

The main aim of the FAI Futsal Programme is to establish Futsal as the preferred version of five-a-side football in Ireland and to increase and sustain participation at all ages and ability levels by promoting and developing the game as a complementary format of football within the football family.

Futsal is a highly enjoyable five a side game where players are involved in the action more frequently. Studies have shown that players have up to four times more contact with the ball than outdoor 7 a side football. Futsal promotes accelerated improvement of technical ball skills such as passing, first touch and dribbling. However, players can also improve their mental football skills as quick thinking and rapid decision is required by players to get out of tricky situations.

The FAI Futsal Plan was designed in consultation with key stakeholders throughout the country along with officials from UEFA and FIFA to promote and foster the game over the next four years in key areas such as grassroots Futsal for adults and children, education, high level competition and marketing and management.

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Intercultural Programme

The Intercultural Plan was launched in June 2007 by Ex Irish International Paul McGrath the FAI Intercultural Football Plan and Programme '**Many Voices One Goal**'.



The Plan is designed to work with the growing ethnic and cultural diversity that is now a part of Irish society. The aims of the programme are to promote participation in football, challenge racism and contribute towards a wider process of integration. 2008 was an important year for the Intercultural Football Programme as many of its actions were rolled out nationally for the first time. In 2009 we are building on the successes of 2008 and will be rolling out even more programmes.

Though some of the Intercultural Football Programmes' events will have a community focus, such as Club Open Days, schools have been instrumental in making children and parents aware of these days and have assisted by facilitating the running of after-school football sessions that link direct to the Club Open Day. One creative after school pilot that was run with a league of Ireland club www.loi.ie and a local school, is English language support through football. Providing children & young people that require language support and enjoy sport with the opportunity to combine the two.

The FAI believe that sport can often provide a vehicle for interaction between young people from diverse backgrounds and while played in the spirit of the game it can be a valued and enriching experience, sadly sport can also be used to promote and reinforce stereotypical ideas and values; in this regards the FAI's Intercultural Football Programme has worked extensively with an educational project called Show Racism the Red Card www.theredcard.ie to fund & launch their educational DVD and Schools Pack.

1. Club Open Days 6-14 year olds
2. English Language Support through Football- Primary and Secondary age group
3. Show Racism the Red Card Schools Education Project- Primary and Secondary age group

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Coach Education



Transition Year Course

FETAC – NCVA Soccer Module

Level 4 - D10036

Aim: The module is designed to assist the learner under the guidance of a coach, parent or teacher introduce children (aged 6-9 years) to fun soccer games and FUNdamental movement skills in a well-structured, stimulating and safe environment.

Objectives:

Candidates who successfully complete this module will have the ability to:

- Assist in the coaching of players in a fun, safe and friendly environment.
- Assist in the planning, organising and implementing a FUN coaching session.
- Organising a Mini-Soccer Tournament.
- Implement the FAI's Good Practice Guidelines.
- Implement basic movement and soccer techniques in FUN game activities.
- Implement the game of Futsal.

Entry Requirements: Candidates must have completed their Junior Certificate or equivalent qualification.

Candidates will be asked to abide by the Code of Ethics/Conduct in soccer and the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for children's sport in Ireland.

Duration/Format: 8 contact hours – All courses are subject to a minimum of 16 participants enrolling with the course coordinator. If the required number of participants is not achieved prior to the course start date then the course may be cancelled / deferred.

The Module teacher / tutor must complete a Football Association of Ireland Kick Start 1 and Kick Start 2 Coaching Certificate. If the teacher does not hold the FAI qualifications then they cannot deliver the module.

Providers wishing to offer this module must obtain prior approval from the Football Association of Ireland. Providers should apply for approval using the approval form at the end of this module descriptor.

The completed Approval Form must be available for inspection by the External Examiner.

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Coach Education

Assessment: Candidates must attend and complete all modules of course to achieve the FAI's Soccer Leaders Award.

Skills Demonstration: Candidates plan and deliver four FUNdamental coaching sessions from the activity cards before the commencement of the mini-soccer tournament.

Learner Record: Candidates keep a record of their year's course contact time, note taking, coaching practice, assisting at four coaching sessions for FUNdamental phase (6-9 year old players). The completed learner record will allow the student to display the skills of planning, record-keeping for the development and implementation of a mini-tournament using futsal or mini-soccer.

Certification: Upon successful completion of the module learners will receive an FAI "Soccer Leaders" certificate.

Course Fee and Development Manual (Fundamental Phase):

- The course fee is €320 for 16 students.
- Each student after that will cost €15 per student.

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Coach Education

Kick Start 1

Aim:

The course is designed to assist parents and coaches, to introduce children (aged 6-9 years) to fun soccer games and FUNdamental movement skills in a well-structured, stimulating and safe environment.

Objectives:

To provide coaches with the ability to:

- Plan, organise and implement a coaching session.
- Identify the stages in the development of young players at the FUNdamental phase aged between 6-9 years.
- Coach children between the age of 6-9 years in a fun, safe and friendly environment.

Entry Requirements:

Course candidates will be Parents, Teachers and Coaches with or without coaching certificates. Candidates must be 16 years or over. Candidates will be asked to abide by the Code of Ethics/Conduct in soccer and the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for children's sport in Ireland.

Kick Start 1 is the first part of a two-part Introduction to Coaching programme within the FAI's Coach Education Scheme.

Duration/Format:

8 contact hours – All courses are subject to a minimum of 20 participants enrolling with the course co-ordinator. If the required number of participants is not achieved prior to the course start date then the course may be cancelled / deferred. There are practical aspects of the course, therefore please bring appropriate attire.

Assessment: No formal assessment required. Full attendance is compulsory to gain certification.

Certification: Kick Start 1 coaches will receive an 'FAI Kick Start 1' certificate of attendance as part of the National Coaching Development Programme. Course Fee and Development Manual (Fundamental Phase) €45.

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Coach Education

Kick Start 2

Aim: The course is designed to assist coaches in the development of the player's (aged 9-12 years) soccer specific and FUNDamental movement's skills in game related functions, progressing into small sided games.

Objectives:

To provide coaches with the ability to:

- Coach children between the age of 6-9 years in a fun, safe and friendly environment.
- Identify stages in the development of young players at the Learn to Train phase
- Plan, organise and implement coaching sessions.
- Adapt activities to develop soccer specific skills in players in the Learn to Train phase.
- Reinforce and progress the player's soccer specific and FUNDamental movement's skills in game related functions, progressing into small sided games
- Plan, implement and review sessions in a fun, safe and friendly environment.

Entry Requirements: Open to Coaches who complete Kick Start 1 or the FAI Introductory certificate. Candidates will be 16 years or over. Candidates will be asked to abide by the Code of Ethics/Conduct in soccer and the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for children's sport in Ireland.

Kick Start 2 is the second part of a two-part Introduction to Coaching programme within FAI's Coach Education Scheme. Coaches who have not completed the Kick Start 1 or FAI Introductory Certificate will be requested to complete the Kick Start 1 before a certificate is issued.

Duration/Format: 17 contact hours – All courses are subject to a minimum of 20 participants enrolling with the course coordinator. If the required number of participants is not achieved prior to the course start date then the course may be cancelled / deferred. There are practical aspects of the course, therefore please bring appropriate attire.

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Coach Education

Youth Certificate

Aim: The course is designed to assist coaches in the development and consolidation of the player's (aged 13-18 years) basic soccer skills with an emphasis on individual and positional specific skills, tactical and physical development as well as performance.

Objectives:

To provide coaches with the ability to:

- Identify stages in the development of young players at the Train to Train and the Train to Compete phase
- Plan, organise and implement linked coaching sessions
- Assist players consolidate and refine basic soccer skills
- Introduce tactical and positional skills as well as performance
- Introduce soccer specific conditioning and strength training
- Optimise fitness and soccer preparation for performance
- Plan, implement and review sessions in a fun, safe and friendly environment.

Entry Requirements: Course candidates will be Coaches with a Kick Start 2 Certificate or the FAI Introduction to Coaching Soccer Certificate.

It is recommended that a 3 month period should take place following completion of Kick Start 2 before attending the Youth Cert.

Candidates must be 16 years or over. Candidates will be asked to abide by the Code of Ethics/Conduct in soccer and the Code of Ethics and Good Practice for children's sport in Ireland.

Youth Certificate is part a Level 1 Coaching programme within the FAI's Coach Education Scheme.

Duration/Format: 42 contact hours – All courses are subject to a minimum of 16 participants enrolling with the course coordinator. If the required number of participants is not achieved prior to the course start date then the course may be cancelled / deferred. There are practical aspects of the course, therefore please bring appropriate attire.

Assessment: Assessment is task based and continuous evaluation:

- A Log Book
- Final Evaluation

Full attendance is compulsory to gain certification.

Certification: Youth Certificate coaches will receive the FAI Level One Youth Licence as part of the National Coaching Development Programme.

Course Fee and Development Manual (Fundamental Phase) €300.

For further information in relation to Coach Education please contact:

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Football Association of Ireland

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Women's Unit



The Football Association of Ireland's Women's Unit is responsible for developing women's / girls football in Ireland.

This unit works closely with the Grassroots Unit and their team of development officers to promote and encourage the development of the game for females. There are over 18,000 girls and women currently playing soccer in Ireland at various different levels - and this number is increasing every year. You could be part of this growing number!

Whether you're a beginner at Primary School or in your teens and have never played before, or maybe you're in your 20s and haven't played for a few years, there are opportunities for you.

Aviva Soccer Sisters is an FAI programme for 7 - 11 yr old girls created under the 'Introduction to Football' banner with the aim of increasing the number of girls playing football and utilising facilities countrywide. Last year the FAI ran 83 soccer sister programmes catering for a record 2,096 participants.

Played at venues countrywide, girls between the ages of 7 - 11 yrs can learn to play football in a fun, friendly and safe environment.

Through the programme children are introduced to basic movement and football skills. They learn the disciplines and fundamental rules of the game and are also encouraged to forge new friendships and develop interpersonal skills. Participants on the camps were encouraged and facilitated to continue playing for local clubs.

Aviva Soccer Sisters Easter Camps: These camps ran for the first time in 2009 and run from Monday – Thursday from 10am-1pm. These camps are open to girls aged between 7 - 11 and took place at 43 venues nationwide in 2009.

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The aim of the camp was to improve skills in a structured and safe coaching environment. As the camps were girls only, it gave the participants an opportunity to participate amongst their peers.

Many new teams were formed from these camps as well as existing teams picking up many new players.

Each participant on this programme received a special Soccer Sisters kit and water bottle, as well as excellent week long coaching.

All coaches are FAI accredited, referenced and Garda Vetted. We aim to ensure best practice in Child Safety and Welfare to ensure your child is in very safe hands. Cost to participate is €60.

Winter Training Camps is an FAI programme for 12 - 18 yr old girls created under the 'Emerging Talent' banner. These camps are designed for talented players who are serious about their game and want to improve their soccer skills and fitness to the highest provincial and international levels.

Age specific coaching will be provided for participants. Using FAI coaches we will provide a consistent approach and create a fun and friendly environment, conducive to good learning.

This Programme is focused on providing suitable training for our high level players, with the goal to develop them for our Girls Emerging Talent Programme and ultimately our National Squads.

Emerging Talent Programme

The aim of the Emerging Talent Programme is to raise the technical ability of players across all levels of the game through the provision of further training and lifestyle development at schoolgirl regional level and prepare them for the next level.

Our aim is to provide our Emerging Talent with a clear pathway by giving them the opportunity to train and play with the more talented players and coaches in their area, thus providing them with a more challenging level of training and development.

The Emerging Talent Programme will be in four regional centres in 2009 with the number of centres expanding across the country in 2010. The regional centres are for players born in 1992-1995 and are totally controlled by the FAI. Feeding the regional ETP's are the Gaynor Cup Squads and the schoolgirl league clubs and teams. These regional centres will follow a technical plan; guidelines and procedures set out by the FAI and are run by the staff of the Technical Dept. of the FAI.

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FAI/FAS Team

Following the success of the FAI/FAS Course for Girls, the 3rd course will start in September 2009 and will again take place in the Clondalkin Sports & Leisure Centre, Dublin. This programme enables female footballers, who have left school and are interested in developing their football career or developing a potential career in the sport and leisure industry, to enhance both their football skills and educational level.

The programme also enables females to develop the skills and knowledge required to enhance employment prospects in the sports and recreation industry. It provides a potential pathway into 3rd level education and scholarships, while also offering players the chance to experience the rigors and demands placed on players in the professional / semi professional game.

Through the FAI, participants will gain Introductory to Soccer Coaching badges - Kick Start 1, 2 and Goal-keeping. Meanwhile they will also completing additional modules such as Exercise and Fitness, Studio Instruction, Anatomy and Physiology, IT, Sports & Recreation, Communication, Diet & Nutrition, personal fitness and special populations.

Other programmes include mini soccer and blitzes, National Irish Bank Summer Soccer Schools, Inner City Futsal and Buntús.

For further information in relation to Women's Football please contact:

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Rules of FAI Schools (as of 31st August 2009)

I. Validity of Rules

- 1.1 These rules are an adjunct to the Constitution of the Association, and of its Branch Constitution. Anything contained therein is to be understood as expanding on these documents.
- 1.2 Anything therein which may be in conflict with one or both of these Constitutions shall be interpreted in accordance with them.
- 1.3 These rules apply primarily to competitions at post-primary level, organised by the Association and its Branches. Rules which apply to competitions or matches arranged by the Association are specifically so indicated. Rules for Primary school competitions shall be as for Post Primary, except where special rules are included, and so denoted.

II. Control of Competitions

- 2.1 All competitions shall be under the control of, and carried out under the Rules of the Association acting, where necessary, through its Sections and Branches

III. Eligibility to Compete

- 3.1 All competitions of the Association shall be open to all schools in membership of the Association, acting, where necessary, through its sections and Branches.
- 3.2 Branch competitions shall be open to all schools in membership of the respective Branch, subject to a due division between Primary, Post Primary Boys and Post Primary Girls.

IV. Entry to Competitions

- 4.1 The Branch shall notify schools of entry closing dates, either individually in writing, or through the news media, or both.
- 4.2 Applications for inclusion in Branch competitions must be in the hands of the Honorary Secretary of the Section by the closing date.

V. Affiliation and Competition Entry Fees

- 5.1 Affiliate fees and competition entry fees shall be decided annually by the Branch, either at its Annual General Meeting, its Executive, or by the Section Committee.
- 5.2 Affiliation and competition entry fees must be paid in full to the Branch with application for inclusion in a competition.
- 5.3 No school will be included in the draw for a competition until it has paid in full all charges levied on it by the Branch, this to include fines, even if under appeal.

VI. Arrangements for Competitions

- 6.1 The Section shall arrange all matches in the competitions in its area. It may delegate this duty to the Honorary Secretary of the Section or to a deputy, or a fixtures secretary or sub-committee appointed for this purpose.
- 6.2 In the event of a competition run by a Branch/Section being divided into regions, the Branch/Section may appoint a sub-committee or a person to arrange the fixture e.g. draws for Cups, dates, venues times, referees, etc. on its behalf, in any or all of such regions.

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- 6.3 Such sub-committee, or person, shall be vested with all control conferred by these Rules otherwise to the Branch except that protests shall only be made in accordance with these Rules.
- 6.4 Games shall be played on the dates, at the venues and times appointed.
- 6.5 In exceptional circumstances, the Section or Branch may arrange for the rescheduling of a fixture.
- 6.6 Arrangements for such, subject to the other provisions of Rule 6, shall be made only in conjunction with the teachers in charge of the schools concerned.
- 6.7 Each team shall bring a football of the correct size, properly inflated, to each match.

VII. Gate Receipts

- 7.1 Gate monies, where charged at matches in competitions arranged by a Branch, shall be at its discretion and remain its property.

VIII. Definition of a Schoolboy/Schoolgirl

- 8.1 A bona fide schoolboy/schoolgirl for the purposes of the competitions of the Association is:
 - (a) A boy/girl who has not attained his/her 18th birthday before the first day January immediately preceding the start of the Academic Year in which the competitions in question commence; and
 - (b) A boy/girl who is pursuing a full course of study leading to sitting for the Leaving Certificate, or and equivalent level examination (including NCVA I and II); and
 - (c) A boy/girls who is continuously in full regular attendance during school hours (except in case of illness) at the school for which he/she is playing from the start of the Academic Year in which the competitions in question commence.
- 8.2 Notwithstanding the foregoing, a boy/girl changing his/her school during the Academic Year may play for his//her new school, provided that he/she may not play for two schools in one and the same competition during any Academic Year, without sanction in writing from the Branch to his/her school.

IX. Age Limits

- 9.1 The age limit for competitions shall be:
 - (a) Senior Cup: Under 18 on the 1st day of August preceding the start of the Academic Year in which the competition is due to take place;
 - (b) Junior Cup: Under 16 on the 1st day of August preceding the start of the Academic Year in which the competition is due to take place;
 - (c) Minor Cup: Under 14 on the 1st day of August (Boys) or 1st day of January (Girls) preceding the start of the Academic Year in which the competition is due to take place
 - (d) First Year Cup: Under 14 on the 1st day of August preceding the start of the Academic Year in which the competition is due to take place and a student in First Year only.

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X. Registration of Team Panel

- 10.1 Seven days before (date of postmark to count) a team's first match in a competition, the teacher in charge shall furnish to the Committee a list of not more than twenty names, being the panel from whom the team will be selected. The date of birth of each boy/girl on this list shall be given beside his/her name and the teacher in charge shall sign the list as evidence that the date of birth has been ascertained from the school register and principal.
- 10.2 Alterations to this panel may then only be made in writing, not less than three days before a match (date of postmark to count), similarly signed by the teacher in charge.

XI. Evidence of Conformity

- 11.1 The Sections and Branches shall have the right to call on any school, for any match or matches, to furnish in advance a list of its players, with dates of birth ascertained from the school register; such list must be signed by the principal of the school concerned, and be on its official letterhead.

XII. Breach of Eligibility

- 12.1 Any school including a player, or players ineligible, for whatever reason, in a team shall forfeit the match in question.

XIII. Grounds

- 13.1 Schools may register grounds for home fixtures provided such grounds belong to, and are under the sole control of the school concerned. The Section/Branch reserves the right to permit schools to register grounds not under their sole control.
- 13.2 The Section/Branch shall decide whether such grounds shall be used for any particular fixture or not.
- 13.3 The Section/Branch shall have the right to arrange for inspection of such registered grounds, and decide on their suitability or otherwise.
- 13.4 (a) Grounds must be marked in accordance with the laws of the game currently in operation
(b) Grounds must be properly marked, nets must be used, and corner flags in accordance with the laws of the game must be used
- 13.5 The referee shall have the power to decide on any objection to the playing area, its markings or equipment or any other equipment furnished for a match, subject to any rules or regulations made by the Association from time to time.
- 13.6 The referee's decision shall be final and in the event of his/her being dissatisfied with the arrangements, he/she shall report the cause of his/her dissatisfaction to the Section/Branch, which may then take such action as it sees fit to remedy the defect, or ensure its non-recurrence.

XIV. Colours

- 14.1 Schools must register their colours with the Branch Honorary Secretary and in case of a clash, the home side shall change. Goalkeepers must wear distinguishing colours. In the event of two schools with clashing colours playing a test match on neutral ground, the choice of colours shall be decided beforehand by the toss of a coin by an Officer of the Section/Branch.

XV. Special Equipment

- 15.1 All matches at Primary Schools level and U13 Girls shall be played with a size 4 football. All other matches to be played with a size 5 football.

XVI. Number of a Team

- 16.1 A team shall consist of 11 players and not more than 5 substitutes. Only three substitutes may play during a game or extra time or participate in kicking from the penalty spot.

XVII. Discipline

- 17.1 Each team must be under the full control of a teacher from the school concerned on and off the field.
- 17.2 The teacher in charge of each team in a match shall see that the referee's card is completed before a match commences. He/she shall fill in the correct names of his/her team and those of the substitutes, in accordance with the laws of the game then in operation concerning substitution or as fixed by the Association from time to time.
- 17.3 Each school shall be responsible for the behaviour of its supporters. The teacher in charge of each team cannot also be responsible for the supporters and the school must provide further teachers to maintain the control of supporters.
- 17.4 Any players sent off in a match in any competition of the Section/Branch or cautioned in any two matches of the Section/Branch or the Association in any one season, is automatically suspended from further participation in any competitions of the Section/Branch or of the Association, until the school concerned has been notified of the disciplinary decision of the Section/Branch or Association.
- 17.5 Any school failing to comply with these rules for whatever reason shall be disqualified from further participation in the competition concerned.
- 17.6 The Section/Branch Committee shall decide on any further action which it may be deemed necessary to take.

XVIII. Referees

- 18.1 Referees may be appointed to the various matches by the Branch where such are available.
- 18.2 In the event of fees and/or expenses being charged, the Branch, through the Annual General Meeting or in Committee shall from time to time decide on the sums to be paid and who shall pay them.

XIX. Duration of Matches

- 19.1 The duration of matches shall be:
- Senior Boys: two periods of 45 minutes each
 - Junior Boys: two periods of 40 minutes each
 - Minor Boys: two periods of 35 minutes each
 - Senior Girls: two periods of 40 minutes each
 - Junior Girls: (Under 16) two periods of 35 minutes each
 - Under 14 Girls: two periods of 30 minutes each
- 19.2 Extra time in any Cup match or League test match or play-off shall be at the discretion of the Branch, its Officers, fixtures sub-committee, subject to consideration such as age, weather, ground conditions, schedules, etc.
- 19.3 In the event of a match being unfinished owing to darkness, accident or any other cause, the Committee shall have the power at their discretion to declare the match decided according to the goals scored at the time of abandonment or re-fix the match.
- 19.4 Replays, where necessary shall take place within five days (Sundays excluded), subject to availability of ground. In replays, the Branch may, at its discretion, instruct up to two periods of extra time and kicks from the penalty spot.
- 19.5 In the event of competitions under the auspices of the Branch, being run on a league basis, points shall be awarded as follows:
- For a win: 3 points
 - For a draw: 1 point
 - For a defeat: 0 points
- At the Interprovincial series for both boys and girls, just 2 points shall be awarded for a win.
- 19.6 In the event of a league competition resulting in a tie, the winner shall be decided by goal difference. If equality continues, the team having scored more goals shall be the winner. In the event of continuing equality, the team conceding least goals shall be the winner. Should the two teams remain tied, a test match shall be played at a neutral venue.
- 19.7 In the event of a test match, the rules covering the duration of a Cup replay shall apply.

XX. Trophies

- 20.1 The Association, or the Branch, shall arrange a suitable Trophy for the winner of each competition under its auspices.
- 20.2 All trophies shall be the property of the Branch, who shall arrange for suitable insurance.
- 20.3 All trophies shall be perpetual.
- 20.4 All trophies shall, no matter by who presented, include the title of the Association in their inscription, where necessary followed by the name of the Branch, the name of the region, and the name of the Section. A donor's name, if deemed proper, may also be inscribed.
- 20.5 The Branch shall provide suitable awards (16 in numbers) to the winners and runners up in each of its competitions.

XXI. Posting of Protests and Appeals

21.1 The dispatch of all protests, appeals and copies thereof must be made by Registered Post.

XXII. Protests

22.1 Protests must be accompanied by a deposit of €35 to be refunded if the protest is upheld, or retained if the protest is turned down.

22.2 An exact copy of a letter of protest must be sent at the same time as posting of the original, to the master in charge of the other school involved.

22.3 The Section Committee will decide on all protests, and the parties concerned shall be notified in writing of such decision within 48 hours of the decision being taken (Saturday and Sundays excluded), date of postmark to count.

22.4 No member of committee may attend a hearing of a protest in which his school is involved, unless representing the school officially.

XXIII. Appeals

23.1 Appeals must be made to the Honorary Secretary of the Branch within 48 hours of receipt of the decision on the protest (Saturdays and Sundays excluded), date of postmark to count.

23.2 Appeals to the Branch must be accompanied by a deposit of €35, to be refunded if the Appeal is upheld, or retained if the Appeal is turned down.

23.3 An exact copy of a letter of appeal to the Branch must be sent at the time of posting of the original, to the Honorary Secretary of the Section, and to the master in charge of the other school involved.

23.4 No member of the Association may attend the hearing of an appeal concerning his school, unless as the school's official representative.

23.5 A further appeal against a decision of the Branch on an appeal may be made to the Football Association of Irish Schools.

23.6 Appeals to the Football Association of Irish Schools must be accompanied by a deposit of €35 to be refunded if the appeal is upheld or retained if the appeal is turned down.

23.7 An exact copy of a letter of appeal to the Football Association of Irish Schools must be sent at the time of posting of the original, to the Honorary Secretary of the Branch, to the Honorary Secretary of the Section and to the master in charge of the other school concerned.

23.8 A final appeal against a decision of the Association on an appeal may be made to the Football Association of Ireland.

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Name

1. The name of the Association shall be the FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION OF IRELAND SCHOOLS, abbreviated to FAI Schools, hereinafter called "the Association".

Object

2. The object of the Association is to promote the game of Association Football in all schools.

Membership

3. Affiliation to the Association shall be confined to:

- a) Primary Schools

Or

- b) Post-primary Schools providing full-time classes or courses leading to certification by the Department of Education, up to and including the Leaving Certificate.

Post-primary Schools that provide Post Leaving Certificate courses and/or specialist sports courses, must apply to the National Executive of the Association by September 30th for permission to include students attending such courses in teams participating in competitions run under the auspices of the Association.

4. a) Only persons who are currently teaching in, or who have taught in, an affiliated school may serve as members of the National Council, the National Executive of the Association, any Branch Council, Branch Executive or any Section Committee of the Association.

b) Members of the Association, having retired or resigned from full-time teaching, may continue to serve as the Association at Section or Branch level, subject to the approval of the National Executive.

A member of the Association, having retired or resigned from full time teaching may continue to serve the Association at National Executive level subject to ratification by the National Council of the Association.

- c) No person, while in the employment of the Association, may hold elected office within the Association.

Structures

5. The Association shall be governed by the National Council of the Association, hereinafter referred to as "The National Council".
6. For administrative purposes the Associative shall be divided into Branches.

Each Branch shall be subdivided into three Sections as follows:

- a) A Primary Section;
- b) A Post-primary Girls Section;
- c) A Post-primary Boys Section.

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- 7.1 Schools shall affiliate to the Association through the Section of the Branch to which the National Executive of the Association shall assign them. Affiliation fees, competition fees and conditions of affiliation shall be determined by the appropriate Branch Executive.
- 7.2 The Association reserves the right to refuse affiliation to any school.
8. The National Council shall comprise:
- a)
 - 1) The National Honorary Chairman;
 - 2) The National Honorary Vice-chairman;
 - 3) The National Honorary Secretary;
 - 4) The National Honorary Treasurer;
 - 5) The Honorary Delegate to the Football Association of Ireland.

The above shall be deemed the Honorary Officers of the Association, hereinafter referred to as "The Officers".

The Officers shall be ex-officio non-voting members of all committees of the Association.

The immediate past-Chairman will be an ex-officio, non-voting officer of the Association.

- b) Delegates appointed by the Branch Councils at the Annual General Meeting of each Branch in the following numbers:

- 1) LEINSTER shall be entitled to send not more than eighteen delegates;
- 2) MUNSTER, CONNACHT and ULSTER shall be entitled to send not more than nine delegates each;

Not more than one third of each Branch Delegation shall be from any one Section.

- c) The National Public Relations Officer, who shall not be entitled to vote.

The National Public Relations Officer may not simultaneously serve in any other capacity on the National Council or the National Executive.

- d) Not more than two Delegates nominated by the Football Association of Ireland.

- e) The President, who shall not be entitled to vote.

9. A quorum for a meeting of the National Council shall exist, if within thirty minutes of the stated time of the meeting, there are present:

- a) Not less than two Honorary Officers;

And

- b) Not less than twelve Branch Delegates, representing not less than three Branches.

Trustees

10. The Association will have five (5) Trustees of whom two will be the Vice-Chairman of the Association and the Honorary Delegate of the Association to the F.A.I.

Annual General Meeting

11.1 The Annual General Meeting of the Association shall be held not later than the 30th of November in that year.

11.2 Notice of the Annual General Meeting must be forwarded to the Branch Secretaries not less than 21 days before the proposed date of the AGM.

11.3 The Agenda for this meeting shall be:

- a) Read the Notice of the Meeting;
 - b) Apologies;
 - c) Election of a Chairman for the meeting in the absence of the National Chairman and the National Vice-chairman;
 - d) Correspondence;
 - e) Minutes of Council meetings held in the previous year to be read;
 - f) Matters arising from the minutes and adoption of the minutes;
 - g) The Association's annual report to be read and adopted;
 - h) Honorary Treasurer's annual report to be read and adopted;
 - i) Audited accounts for the Branches and the Association to be presented and adopted;
 - j) Honorary Delegate to the Football Association of Ireland's written report to be read and adopted;
 - k) Ratification of the Council's decisions of the previous year;
 - l) Ratification of the appointment of any delegate to the National Executive who is the subject of Article 4(b) of the Constitution;
 - m) Election of President;
 - n) Election of Vice-president;
 - o) Election of Honorary Officers;
 - 1) Chairman
 - 2) Vice-chairman
 - 3) Secretary
 - 4) Treasurer
 - 5) Delegate to the Football Association of Ireland
 - p) Delegates to the Football Association of Ireland Senior Council;
 - q) Nomination of National Public Relations Officer;
 - r) Nominations to sub-committees of the Football Association of Ireland;
 - s) Notice Motions;
 - t) Any Other Business.
12. a) Nominations for positions as National Honorary Officers and delegates to the FAI Senior Council must be forwarded through Branch Secretaries and be received by the National Honorary Secretary not less than ten clear days prior to the date of the meeting.
- b) The National Honorary Secretary shall forward to each Branch Secretary the list of nominations not less than seven days prior to the date of the Annual General Meeting.
- c) Outgoing Honorary Officers may be nominated from the floor of the meeting.
- d) Should more than one candidate be proposed for any position, four tellers shall be appointed from the floor of the meeting and voting by secret ballot shall take place. Decision shall be by simple majority.
- e) No one person shall hold more than one National Honorary Officership at any one time.

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- f) Notice Motions for any National Council meeting must be received by the National Honorary Secretary not less than ten clear days prior to the date of the meeting and shall be forwarded to the Branch Secretaries for circulation, not less than seven days prior to the date of the meeting.
- g) To be successful, motions to amend any article of this Constitution must be passed by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

Extraordinary General Meetings

- 13. A meeting of the National Council shall be convened if requested by the National Executive of the Association.
- 14. A meeting of the National Council shall be convened if requested in writing, by not less than two Branch Executives.

The Notice of Motion shall accompany the request. It shall be the duty of the National Honorary Chairman or such other persons as may be acting in his / her stead, to convene such a meeting within 21 clear days of receipt of such a request.

The Agenda for meetings of the National Council convened under the terms of this Article of the Constitution shall be:

- a) The election of a Chairman in the absence of the National Honorary Chairman and Vice-chairman.
- b) Notice of the meeting to be read.
- c) Notice Motion to be read and decided upon.

Discussion and voting shall be confined to the Notice Motion. Motions shall be passed by a two-thirds majority of those present and voting.

The National Executive

- 15. The day-to-day affairs of the Association shall be administered by the National Executive. The National Executive shall comprise:

- a) The National Honorary Officers of the Association

And

- b) Branch delegations appointed by each Branch Executive. Branch delegations shall be comprised of not more than three members from each Branch, with not more than one delegate from any one Section of that Branch.

The National Public Relations Officer may be invited to attend part, or all of any meeting of the National Executive, but shall not vote.

- 16. A quorum shall exist at a meeting of the National Executive, if there is present within thirty minutes of the stated time of the meeting:

- a) Not less than two National Honorary Officers,

And

- b) Not less than five Branch delegates representing at least three Branches.

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17. The National Executive shall meet not less than on one occasion in each school term and shall at these meetings, in addition to what other business is on the agenda, receive:

- a) From the National Chairman, a report of the activities of any employees the Association may have

And

- b) A Statement from the National Treasurer of the finances of the Association for the period since the previous meeting.

18. The National Executive shall have all necessary powers to take such decisions as it deems appropriate for the proper, seemly and efficient running of the affairs of the Association. Such decisions shall be open to appeal and are subject to ratification by the National Council as outlined in Article 11(k) of this Constitution.

19. The National Executive may devolve to the Branch Councils such powers as it deems necessary for the proper, seemly and efficient running of the Branches.

20. The National Executive shall review this Constitution annually.

Voting

21. a) All decisions shall be taken by simple majority unless otherwise provided for in this Constitution.

- b) Any vote at National Council or National Executive shall be taken by secret ballot if so requested by any one Branch.

- c) All members properly entitled to attend and vote at a meeting of the Association or any of its Committees or Sub-committees, shall have one vote each, except the Chairman of that meeting, who shall not vote, other than in the event of a tie, when the Chairman shall have a casting vote.

22. Protests and Appeals

This Constitution allows One (1) Protest and Two (2) Appeals:

22.1 A Protest is made to the relevant Branch against a decision taken by a Section of that same Branch

22.2 The dispatch of all protests, appeals and copies thereof must be made by Registered Post.

22.3 Protests must be made in writing, within 48 hours of a decision (date of postmark to count), to the Honorary Secretary of the Branch, accompanied by a bank draft/postal order of €100 to be refunded if the protest is upheld or retained if the protest is turned down.

22.4 An exact copy of a letter of protest must be sent at the same time as posting of the original, to the teacher in charge of any other school involved.

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22.5 A Protest Committee of not less than three persons, who shall be officers or members of the Branch committees, shall be formed by the Branch and this Branch Committee will decide on all protests within 5 days (Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and school holidays excluded) of receipt of any protest and the parties concerned shall be notified in writing of such decision within 2 days of the decision being taken (Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and school holidays excluded), date of postmark to count.

22.6 A facsimile of the decision may be sent to all parties involved in advance of the decision being notified under paragraph 22.4 above.

22.7 No member of a committee may attend a hearing of a protest in which his / her school/section is involved, unless representing the school/section officially.

Appeals

23. The Appeal is made to the National Executive of the Association against a decision taken by a Branch NOT to uphold, i.e. to reject, a Protest.

23.1 Appeals must be made by registered post to the Honorary Secretary of the Football Association of Ireland Schools within 48 hours of receipt of the decision on the protest by post, (Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and school holidays excluded), date of postmark to count.

23.2 Appeals to the Association must be accompanied by a bank draft/postal order of €300, to be refunded if the Appeal is upheld or retained if the Appeal is turned down.

23.3 An exact copy of a letter of appeal to the Association must be sent at the time of posting of the original, to the Honorary Secretary of the Branch and Section, and to the teacher in charge of any other school involved.

23.4 No member of the Association may attend the hearing of an appeal concerning his / her school, unless as the school's official representative.

23.5 An Appeal Committee of not less than three persons (who may be members of the National Executive and/or of any of the Branch Executives not involved) will be formed by the Association and this Committee will decide on all appeals within 7 days (Saturdays, Sundays and Bank Holidays excluded) of receipt of any appeal, and the parties concerned shall be notified in writing of such decision within 2 days of the decision being taken (Saturdays, Sundays, public holidays and school holidays excluded), date of postmark to count. No member of the Appeal Committee can come from the Branch involved in the appeal.

23.6 A facsimile of the decision may be sent to all parties involved in advance of the decision being notified under paragraph 23.5 above.

23.7 The second and final Appeal is made to The Football Association of Ireland against a decision taken by the National Executive of the Association Not to uphold, i.e. to reject, an Appeal lodged under paragraph 23.

23.8 Appeals to the Football Association of Ireland must be accompanied by the appropriate fee as per the Football Association of Ireland's rules.

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- 23.9 An exact copy of a letter of appeal to the Football Association of Ireland must be sent at the time of posting of the original, to the Honorary Secretary of the Association, to the Honorary Secretary of the Branch, and to the teacher in charge of any other school concerned.
24. The right to appeal any decision of the National Council, or of the National Executive, to the Football Association of Ireland, is not diminished in any way by any of the provisions of this Constitution.

Miscellaneous

25. Any affiliated school or amalgamation of schools, seeking to play matches either:
- a) Outside the jurisdiction of the Football Association of Ireland,
- Or
- b) Within the jurisdiction of the Football Association of Ireland, but against opposition from outside the said jurisdiction, must first receive sanction from the Association and the FAI for such matches.

Disrepute

- 26.1 The National Executive shall have the power to terminate the affiliation of any school which is deemed to have brought the Association into disrepute. The National Executive shall also have the power to refuse re-affiliation to such a school for a period of time deemed to be appropriate by the National Executive.
- 26.2 Any person representing any school in any aspect of the activities of the Association, who is deemed to have brought the Association into disrepute, will be suspended from the Association and all of its activities for a period of time deemed to be appropriate by the National Executive

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PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

Child Welfare Advice for Players/Parents/Guardians

We in Football Association of Ireland Schools are committed to ensuring that all necessary steps are taken to protect and safeguard the welfare of children and young people who participate in soccer. It is the policy of the Football Association of Ireland Schools to safeguard the welfare of our under age players by protecting them from physical, emotional or sexual harm and from neglect or bullying.

This information is given to you not as a response to massive problems within soccer, rather the Football Association of Ireland Schools has accepted its moral and legal responsibilities, and mainly to ensure that children enjoy soccer in safety.

At all times we are committed to providing the highest possible standards of care in a safe environment.

In this respect participants are entitled to:

- be safe
- be treated with dignity, sensitivity and respect
- experience competition and the desire to win as a positive and healthy outcome of striving for best performance
- be happy, have fun and enjoy soccer
- comment and make suggestions in a appropriate and constructive manner
- be listened to
- be believed

Most importantly you are entitled to express concerns and make complaints in an appropriate way and have these dealt with through an effective complaints procedure.

On all away trips there is a designated Team Manager who has overall responsibility for the player's well being, behaviour and accommodation arrangements. He/she will also act as or appoint the designated child protection officer for the trip and all concerns or complaints should be submitted to this person. In the event that the complaint refers to this person you can approach any member of staff of your choice and you can be assured that your concerns will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.

If you have problems with this procedure you should inform your parents or any trusted adult you can help you in having your concerns or complaints dealt with. It is most important that you do not keep secrets about anybody who is causing you harm or distress of any kind.

Players are also advised that they can also raise concerns with the Football Association of Ireland National Children's Officer who can be contacted at 087 9691422.

The first priority is that no player will be exposed to unnecessary risk in keeping with the fundamental principle that the welfare of the child is the first and paramount importance.

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PLAYER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

As representatives/ambassadors of your family, school, province and by extension the Football Association of Ireland Schools, all participants are expected to operate to the highest standards of behaviour at all times and not to engage in any behaviour that could reasonably be deemed to be bringing the Football Association of Ireland Schools or the game of soccer into disrepute. Breaches will be treated as a disciplinary offence. In the interest of your safety and the smooth running of the Tournament your attention is drawn to the following ground rules.

1. All participants are expected to operate to the highest standards of behaviour at all times
2. The consumption of alcohol or proscribed drugs is forbidden.
3. No smoking is permitted at any time
4. The use of foul or abusive language on or off the pitch is forbidden.
5. All curfews must be observed.
6. Neat Dress is essential. Branch or National dress codes must be observed.
7. Full co-operation with your team management is required.
8. Please respect the property of other panel members and officials.
9. Do not abuse any facilities (grounds, dressing rooms, accommodation, etc.) provided for your use and benefit
10. The making of telephone calls from hotel rooms is forbidden.
11. FAI Schools is not responsible for damage to or loss of personal property.
12. Please observe and follow the directions of all officers of the Association and/or officials of grounds, referees and/or accommodation.
13. Should you make the International Panel this code of conduct will remain in force
14. Bullying in any shape or form will not be tolerated

CODE OF GOOD PRACTICE FOR PLAYERS

- Play for enjoyment, not just to please your parents or coach.
- Play by the Laws of the Game.
- Always accept the referee's decision.
- Play with control. Do not lose your temper.
- Play for yourself and your team - your team's performance will benefit and so will your own.
- Be a "good sport". Applaud all good play whether by your team or the opponent.
- Respect your opponent. Treat all players as you would like to be treated. Do not "bully" or take advantage of any player.
- Co-operate with the coach, team mates and opponents.
- Remember that the goals of the game are to have fun, improve your skills, and feel good.
- At the final whistle applaud and thank your opponents and the referee for the match.
- Always remember that you owe a duty of care to your opponents.
- Tackle hard but fairly do not intend to hurt your opponent.
- Win with humility - lose with dignity.

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MANAGER'S CODE OF CONDUCT

Information for Managers/Coaches/Mentors

Managers/Coaches are key to the establishment of good practices in football. Their attitude to the game directly informs the attitude and behaviour of the players under their supervision. Therefore, they are expected to operate to the highest standards of behaviour and integrity at all times operating to FAI Codes of Best Practice (provide all coaches with booklets) the underpinning principle being that the health, safety and welfare of players is the first and paramount consideration.

In addition to best practice guidelines your attention is drawn to the following ground rules that have been issued to players in the interest of their safety/enjoyment and the smooth running of the Tournament:

- The consumption of alcohol or proscribed drugs is forbidden.
- No smoking is permitted at any time
- The use of foul or abusive language on or off the pitch is forbidden.
- All curfews/lights out must be observed.
- Neat Dress is essential. Branch or National dress codes must be observed.
- Full co-operation with your team management is required.
- Please respect the property of other panel members and officials.
- Do not abuse any facilities (grounds, dressing rooms, accommodation, etc.) provided for your use and benefit
- The making of telephone calls from hotel rooms is forbidden.
- FAI Schools is not responsible for damage to or loss of personal property.
- Please observe and follow the directions of all officers of the Association and/or officials of grounds, referees and/or accommodation.
- Should you make the International Panel these ground rules will remain in force
- Bullying in any shape or form will not be tolerated

Participating teams are also advised that they are responsible for the conduct of team participants and supporters for the duration of the Tournament / Event.

FAI Schools Senior B Boys

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

Jobstown Community College, Tallaght
Colaiste Muire, Ballymote
Finn Valley College, Stranorlar
Nagle Community College, Cork
Jobstown Community College, Tallaght
Colaiste Muire, Ballymote

FAI Schools Senior B Girls

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

Mulroy College, Milford
Grennan College, Thomastown
Mulroy College, Milford
Scoil Ruain, Killenaule, Thurles
Grennan College, Thomastown
Elphin Community College, Castlerea

FAI Schools Senior Boys

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

St. Josephs College, Galway
Limerick CBS, Sexton Street
Loreto Community School, Milford
Limerick CBS
Tallaght Community School
St. Joseph's College, Galway

FAI Schools Senior Girls

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

Convent of Mercy, Roscommon
Ashbourne Community School
Carndonagh Community School
Scoil Mhuire, Carrick On Suir
Ashbourne Community School
Convent of Mercy, Roscommon

FAI Schools Junior Boys

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny
Carndonagh Community School
Carndonagh Community School
Douglas Community School, Cork
St. Kieran's College, Kilkenny
Summerhill College, Sligo

FAI Schools Junior Girls

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

St. Patrick's College, Lacken Cross
St. Caimin's Community School, Shannon
Loreto Convent, Letterkenny
St Caimin's Community School, Shannon
Alexandra College, Dublin 6
St Patrick's College, Lacken Cross

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2008/09 Post Primary Provincial & National Winners

FAI Schools Minor Boys

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

De La Salle, Waterford
St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny
St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny
De La Salle, Waterford
Larkin Community College, Dublin
Summerhill College, Sligo

FAI Schools Minor Girls

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

Moyne Community School, Longford
Loreto Convent, Letterkenny
Loreto Convent, Letterkenny
St. Caimin's Community School
Moyne Community School, Longford
Sacred Heart School, Westport

FAI Schools 1st Year Boys

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

CBS High School Clonmel
St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny
St. Eunan's College, Letterkenny
CBS High School, Clonmel
St Benildus College, Stillorgan
Presentation College, Athenry

FAI Schools 1st Year Girls

All Ireland Champions
All Ireland Runners Up
Ulster
Munster
Leinster
Connacht

Loreto Community School, Milford
St. Flannan's College, Ennis
Loreto Community School, Milford
St. Flannan's College, Ennis
Mean Scoil Mhuire, Longford
St. Mary's Secondary School, Ballina

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FAI Schools Master Calendar

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FAI Schools Fixtures 2009/10 MASTER CALENDAR					
WK COMMENCING	FIXTURE DATE	COMPETITION	TEAMS	VENUE	KO RESULTS
12 - 18 October	16-18 October	Boys Interprovincial Tournament	Ulster/Leinster/Munster/Connacht	Tullamore/Athlone IT	
2 - 8 November	6-8 November	Girls Interprovincial Tournament	Ulster/Leinster/Munster/Connacht	Tullamore/Willow Park	
9-15 November					
16-22 November					
23-29 November					
30Nov - 6Dec					
7 - 13 December					
14 - 20 December					
21 - 27 December					
28 Dec - 3 January					
4 - 10 January					
11 - 17 January					
18 - 24 January					
25 - 31 January	18-22 Jan	Senior B Girls Semi Finals Senior B Boys Semi Finals PP Futsal Provincial Finals			
	TBC	Boys International Friendly	Republic of Ireland v Australia	(TBC)	TBC
	26 Jan	Senior B Girls FINAL PP Futsal All Ireland Final			
1 - 7 February		Senior B Boys FINAL Senior Boys Semi Finals Senior Girls Semi Finals			
8 - 14 February					
15 - 21 February					
22 - 28 February					
1 - 7 March					
8 - 14 March					
15 - 21 March	17 Mar	Senior Boys & Girls FINAL Junior Girls Semi Final Junior Boys Semi Final			
		Carmegie Centenary Shield	Republic of Ireland v Northern Ireland	Athlone Area	7pm
22 - 28 March	25 Mar	Junior Girls FINAL Carmegie Centenary Shield			
		Junior Boys FINAL	Wales v Republic of Ireland	Haverford West	7pm
29 Mar - 4 April	2 Apr	Carmegie Centenary Shield	Republic of Ireland v Scotland	Ballybofey	7pm
29 Mar - 4 April					
5 - 11 April					
12 - 18 April	12 Apr	EASTER BREAK 26 MARCH - 12 APRIL 2010 Boys' International Friendly	Republic of Ireland v New Zealand	(TBC)	TBC
	12-15 Apr	Bob Docherty Tournament	Girls' International Tournament	Scotland	
19-25 April		Minor Girls Semi Finals			
26 Apr - 2 May	30 Apr	Minor Boys Semi Finals	England v Republic of Ireland	Burton Albion FC	TBC
		Carmegie Centenary Shield			
		Minor Girls FINAL			
3 - 9 May	8 & 9 May	Minor Boys FINAL			
		1st Year Girls Blitz Tournament	Ulster/Leinster/Munster/Connacht	Willow Park, Athlone	
10 - 16 May	12 May 2010	EA Sports FAI Schools 5 A Side	Munster Provincial Finals	Munster (TBC)	
	12 May 2010	EA Sports FAI Schools 5 A Side	Connacht Provincial Finals	Connacht (TBC)	
		1st Year Boys Semi Final			
17 - 23 May	19 May 2010	EA Sports FAI Schools 5 A Side	Ulster Provincial Finals	Ulster (TBC)	
	19 May 2010	EA Sports FAI Schools 5 A Side	Leinster Provincial Finals	MDL Grounds, Navan	
		1st Year Boys FINAL			
24 - 30 May	26 May 2010	EA Sports FAI Schools 5 A Side	National Finals	Leah Victoria Park, Tullamore	

