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Record number of young cricketers sign up for Ravenscroft Future Stars

A RECORD number of young cricketers have signed up for this year's Ravenscroft Future Stars.

The programme, which is for girls and boys aged from five to eight, was launched in 2008 and introduces the skills of cricket through various fun based drills. Last year 97 children signed up and Guernsey Cricket is hoping that they can have 120 taking part in 2020.

'Ravenscroft Future Stars normally runs during the summer term but we had to wait until restrictions had been lifted before we could confirm dates and open registration so we weren't sure how many would sign up. It's absolutely fantastic that so many boys and girls want to be involved, we have some who have done it before and lots of new faces and that's positive for the future of the sport,' said Ben Ferbrache, Guernsey Cricket development manager.

'Thanks to Ravenscroft's continued support, everyone who signs up will be given a Ravenscroft Future Stars bag, bat, ball, cap, water bottle and beach stumps set, which has been specially designed by Newbery Cricket, so that they can practise the skills they have learnt.'

This year's Ravenscroft Future Stars courses are on Tuesdays from 4pm – 5pm or Saturdays from 9am – 10am and last six weeks.

'It's obvious just how much fun the youngsters have when they are at Future Stars and we hope that by Ravenscroft continuing its support, we can encourage girls and boys to be active and healthy, learn new skills and enjoy being part of a team. The programme has already identified a number of talented youngsters who will hopefully develop a lifelong passion for cricket,' said Robin Newbould, director of Ravenscroft.

More information on Ravenscroft Future Stars including an online booking form can be found at

www.guernseycricket.com/ravenscroft-future-stars