

MAORI OXSHOTT CRICKET CLUB

Winter Nets commenced on Sunday 18th January and it was wonderful to see the return of some familiar faces and the arrival of some newcomers. There was a very positive attitude to learning and the players were receptive to the message that a good summer depends on working hard over the winter.



Henry Thorpe has a reputation as an athletic fielder and superb runner between the wickets. He emphasised the increasing importance of the physical side of the game to the Colts and each one was put through a series of mini assessments to benchmark their speed, agility and balance. All Colts will go through this exercise on their first training session.

The boys can be quite competitive and there was much interest in the individual scores, which will be re-visited at intervals during the winter. The badge of honour for the quickest sprinter went to Sophie Howarth, laying down a very positive marker for the introduction of girls in 2015.



Batting was the focus of coaching in week 1 and it will also take centre stage in week 2. Attendees should bring a bat (if they have one) and a bottle of water. No other equipment is needed at this stage. A reminder of the times is shown below:

- 1pm - 2.30pm for Under 8-10
- 2.30pm - 4pm for Under 11-14

The early bird discount remains until 1st February – payment is accepted at the nets in cash or by cheque and details of the online option are available on request.

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