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Ref: NI Schools Cup Volleyball 2012 Entry Information

Hi,

We would like to invite entries for the 2012 NI Volleyball Schools Cup. Dates for our three categories of school's cup are:

U16 Schools Cup: 6th March 2012 at Lisburn Racquets Club

U18 Schools Cup: 8th March 2012 at Lisburn Racquets Club

U14 Schools Cup: 14th March 2012 at the University of Ulster at Jordanstown



We have enjoyed a steady increase in participation from schools from across Northern Ireland in recent years and we hope to continue that increase in this our last indoor volleyball school's tournament before the Olympics in the summer. There was a 55% increase in school teams participating in the schools volleyball leagues, which will run until the spring half term in February 2012.

This year our U16 and U18 schools cups will take place at the Racquets Club in Lisburn, where we have six indoor volleyball courts available, twice as many courts than we have

ever had before. We have increased the capacity of our competitions in the hope that more schools will enter and the better the tournament will be for all involved.

The format of all of the schools cups will be one-day tournaments where all the schools in each age category will come and play on a single day. All the tournaments will run from 10:30am until 3:30pm. This format has been very popular in the past as the pupils get to meet a wide range of pupils from other schools and reduces the time teachers and pupils need out of class. **A school can enter up to a maximum of two teams into each category.**

If you wish to enter please fill in the entry form (attached) and return it to the in the envelope provided. You can also fax or emailed the form back. The closing date for entries is **4.00pm on Wednesday 29th February 2012.** No entries will be accepted after this date.

Please note that players must be born on or after the following dates to be eligible for that competition. For U18, the eligible date of birth has an extra year to allow players to be able to play if they are repeating A-Levels or are attending Further Education.

U14 - 01/07/1997

U16 - 01/07/1995

U18 - 01/07/1992

If you need any further information please don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards



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