**Rounders Rules**

**Year group: Year 6**

**Gender: Mixed**

**Team Criteria:**

Games are played between two teams.

Each squad has a maximum of 15 and a minimum of 6. No more than 9 may be on the field at any one time. Maximum of 5 boys.

Players once substituted may return during the game, but batters only in the position of their original number.

**Format:**

- 20 good balls for 1 innings. 1 innings per team.

**Rules:**

**Batter:**

* Wait in backward area well away from 4th post.
* If out wait in the backward area well away from 1st post.
* you will have one good ball bowled to you.
* NO BALL if:
- Not smooth under arm action
- Ball is above head, below knees
- Ball bounces on way to you
- Is wide or straight at the body
- The bowlers foot is outside the square during the bowling action
- You can take or run on a no ball. But once you reach 1st post you cannot return.

-You score in the normal way.

**Scoring:**
- 1 rounder if the ball is hit and 4th post is reached and touched before next ball is bowled

-1 rounder if ball is hit and 4th post reached on a no ball (you cant be caught out)
- half rounder if 4th post reached without hitting the ball
- half rounder if ball is hit and you reach 2nd base before the next ball is bowled - but if you continue this run and are put out before reaching 4th post, the score will be nullified
- Penalty half rounder for obstruction by a fielder
- Penalty half rounder for 2 consecutive no balls to same batter
- 1 rounder for a backward hit if 4th post reached (you stay at 1st while ball is in the backward area)

**Out when:**

- Caught
- Foot over front/back line of batting square before hitting or missing a good ball
- Running inside post
- The post you are running to is stumped
- You lose contact with post during bowlers action when he has possession in the square
- You overtake
- You obstruct

**Running around the track:**

- If you stop, bat should be touching the post otherwise can be stumped out.
 - When bowler has ball, you cannot move between the posts

- You cannot have two batters at a post. The umpire will ask the first to run on when the second one makes contact.

- At a post you don’t have to move on for every ball bowled.