



It has been a busy few months at the MCC Foundation, as the winter coaching element of our 2018/19 Cricket Hubs programme came to a close and the cricket season began.

Later this summer you will receive a copy of our Impact Report, detailing the good work that your support made possible this year. For now, read on for our highlights from the year so far.

### The 2018/19 Cricket Hubs

The 2018/19 Hub programme saw **2,600** hours of coaching delivered to **1,900** young cricketers at **50** sites across the UK.

- **96%** of participants believe the Hub made them a better cricketer
- **73%** of parents said their child's overall personal confidence increased as a result of attending the Hub
- **87%** of participants told us that attending the Hub increased their desire to keep playing cricket

Watch our short video to see how the Brighton Hub is making a difference for young cricketers in the local area:



Over the summer, Hub participants will have the chance to put their new skills to work in matches against local schools, clubs, and other nearby Hubs. We are also delighted that this July, for the first time, five matches will be played between regional Hub select XIs and MCC

sides. Highlights from these matches will be detailed in our Impact Report.

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## Looking to the Future

At a recent meeting of the MCC Foundation's trustees, our strategy for the coming year was confirmed.

### 2019/20 Cricket Hubs

We are delighted to announce that, thanks to your generous support, we are in a position to open nine new Hubs for the 2019/20 season. The new Hubs will open in [Birmingham](#), [Leicester](#), [Bristol](#), [Sheffield](#), [Leeds](#), [Durham](#), [Liverpool](#), [Northumberland](#), and [Cumbria](#). These locations will enable us to bring cricket to more young people in inner city areas, and to more girls.

We will also be expanding our provision for girls by adding girls-only sessions to eleven of our existing Hubs. This year 16% of our Hub participants were female; the aim for next year is to increase that to around 30%.



## Overseas

Last year we committed to working with MCC to maximise the long-term benefits of MCC's Legacy Tour Programme in Nepal. MCC will send touring teams to Nepal for three consecutive years, with the first of these tours expected to take place in late 2019.

In year one, the Foundation has decided to focus its efforts in Pokhara, the second largest city in Nepal. Your support will enable us to up-skill local coaches and teachers to deliver cricket, organise cricket festivals for local schools, and fund the construction of nets, ensuring that our activities have a lasting impact.



## The Foundation in Westminster

The Foundation aims to be an outstanding local charity in Westminster, a borough of London which is characterised by both great wealth and extreme deprivation.

We have launched our local community work by funding a cricket league for state secondary schools in Westminster: [the MCC Foundation Westminster League](#).

MCC's Community Development team already delivers after-school cricket sessions at a number of state-secondary schools in the borough. The League aims to maintain momentum from these sessions, retaining young people's interest in the game by offering accessible, competitive cricket and keeping them active.

The finals of the MCC Foundation Westminster League will take place during the first week of July, and the results will be included in our Impact Report.

Everything we do is made possible by your generous support, so from all of us here –  
thank you!

With best wishes,

**The MCC Foundation Team**



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