Cheshire & Warrington School Games Festival



**Small Sided Football – Years 3&4**

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| **KEY INFORMATION** |
| **Age** | Year Group 3 & 4 – U9’s |
| **Squad size** | 10 Players |
| **Gender** | Mixed teams |
| **Eligibility** | Only pupils receiving full-time education in accordance with the Education Acts, who are on the School roll, and who are over the age of 7 years at midnight between the previous 31st August and 1st September and within the relevant age bracket (u9 – year 3&4) shall be allowed to take part in these competitions. |
| **Basic Rules** | * Games will be 7-a-side of which one must be a goal keeper.
* Games will be 12 minutes in duration – One Way (Subject to organiser discretion and number of teams on day).
* Pitch Sizes – Maximum Size - 60 x 40 Yards.
* There is no offside.
* All free-kicks are direct. For all free kicks opponents must be 4.5m (5 yards) from the ball.
* Throw-ins.
* A goal cannot be scored direct from a throw-in.
* A free kick is awarded to the opposing team if the goalkeeper touches the ball with his/her hands after it has been deliberately kicked to him/her by a team mate.
* Substitutions is roll on roll off at a stoppage in play with the referee being informed.
* All Players must wear shin guards and appropriate footwear for the surface being played on.
* Players are to remove all Jewelry
* Ball Size 3 must be used for Under 9’s.
* During a Goal Kick the whole of the opposition’s team must retreat behind the halfway pitch line before play can begin, unless the goal keeper decides to take the goal kick quickly. (Please see attached diagram).
* The decisions of the referee regarding facts connected with play are final.
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| **COMPETITION DELIVERY DETAILS** |
| **Name** |  |
| **Role** |  |
| **Organisation** |  |

**The Retreat Line: Diagram**



