

BIG BASH SCHOOLS CHALLENGE

GUIDE

This guide walks your school through every step of running the **Big Bash Schools Challenge** - from registering your school, running it both in school and at home and finally celebrating your students' success.

It includes what to do, when to do it, and what you'll need, so your team feels confident and ready to get students active and engaged.



Challenge registration & setup



Classroom and at-home activities



Haven't signed up yet? To register a challenge for your school, [click here!](#)

For other Big Bash Schools Challenge resources, [click here](#) or go to <https://play.cricket.com.au/community/schools/resources/bbsc-teacher/>.



CHALLENGE REGISTRATION & SETUP



To access the Big Bash Schools Challenge platform, schools first register through the [Play Cricket website](#). Once the program is processed, the School Ambassador receive a portal link to set up classroom groups and invite teachers to access the required challenge resources.

#	Step	What happens	Recommended timeline	What you need
1	Register challenge	Using their Cricket ID, the ambassador registers your school for the Big Bash Schools Challenge on the Play Cricket website. You'll receive a confirmation email from the Cricket Australia Schools Team.	A minimum of 4 weeks prior to delivering the challenge in class; 5-10 mins	Cricket ID (from step 1); Number of groups and total students per year participating
2	Challenge confirmation	Once your challenge is confirmed by Cricket Australia, the ambassador will receive an email with a link to the Big Bash Schools Challenge portal. They'll use their Cricket ID to log in and manage the challenge.	Up to 1 week after registration; 5 mins	Ambassador's email access and Cricket ID
3	Challenge setup	In the Big Bash Schools Challenge portal, the ambassador can review and update the registration details. This includes naming groups, adjusting student numbers and year levels, and inviting a teacher to each group. Teachers will receive an automatic email invite to join the platform.	At least 1 week before challenge start; 10-20 mins	Link to the Big Bash Schools Challenge portal; Ambassador's Cricket ID (from step 1); Group names, teacher names, and email addresses
4	Teacher onboarding	Invited teachers receive an email with a personal code to join your school's challenge. To access the platform, each teacher must create a Cricket ID using the same email address provided by the ambassador.	1 week before challenge start; 5-10 mins per teacher	Teacher email invite; Cricket ID (created by the teacher)

HELPFUL TIPS

If Cricket Australia is providing balls for your school, these will be shipped shortly after your challenge is confirmed. Please allow a few weeks for delivery depending on your location.

Some schools prefer one teacher to run the activities for all groups. We still recommend each class teacher joins the platform to support student engagement and track their group's progress.



CLASSROOM AND AT-HOME ACTIVITIES



Once the 4-week challenge starts, students take part in structured weekly activities. Teachers deliver sessions in class while students continue learning and earning points at home.

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5	Community onboarding	Invite families to participate at home using a unique signup link for each classroom group. Children can join anytime, though signing up before the challenge begins is recommended.	Before or during the challenge; 10-15 mins	Group-specific signup links (available in the portal); School comms (e.g. newsletter, handouts)
6	Classroom activities	Run the 4-week challenge in class using short weekly video activities accessed through the portal.	4 weeks during school day; 10 mins per day	Access to challenge portal; Balls (sent to school); Screen/projector for activity clips
7	At-home activities	Students can practise at home during and after the 4-week challenge using a gamified kids' portal. They follow step-by-step video clips, earn XP, and build skills - all contributing to their school's score. It's a great way to keep momentum going and reward ongoing effort.	During and after the challenge; self-paced	At-home portal access; internet-connected device; ball
8	Rewards & recognition	Celebrate your school's efforts and student participation with certificates, assemblies or classroom shout-outs. Students can keep earning XP at home, and the school with the highest average XP per student by the end of term may win a reward from Cricket Australia. Teachers and ambassadors can continue tracking progress in the portal and encouraging students to stay active.	Remainder of term; occasional check-ins via portal	Access to challenge portal for progress reporting and student certificates; Public school leaderboards on Cricket Australia website

HELPFUL TIPS

Families can join the challenge through class-specific links. You can share invites via your school newsletter or printable handouts. Teachers can track signups and student progress using their class dashboard in the portal.

Download student certificates in the portal to celebrate individual or group progress. A short class or school celebration can make learning feel fun and rewarding – and inspire students to keep practising at home.

