

2025

NSFA SUTTON CUP





WELCOME TO THE SUTTON CUP!

Hosted at the Northern Suburbs Football Association's home of football, the NSFA Sutton Cup will return for its second year following the success of its 2024 debut. Bringing together primary school teams from across the Northern Suburbs of Sydney, the tournament intends to provide a fun and enjoyable playing experience for boys to showcase their skill and teamwork whilst representing their school.

The NSFA Sutton Cup is named after Ben Sutton, who is a Pararoo with 12 international caps and 3 goals for the national side. Ben is also heavily involved in the NSFA community as a player, coach, and an educator. He has been a huge presence in the International Day of People with Disability Gala Day that NSFA has been involved with for 3 years and hosted in December 2023.

Ben's biggest success story is probably the creation of the Pararoos Development Centre (PDC), that he continues to manage and run today. The PDC was started in 2020 and aims to provide footballing development training to children and adults with Cerebral Palsy and Acquired Brain Injury.

Before you arrive at the ground be sure to read on, discovering our unique points system that will eventually crown the winners of the NSFA Sutton Cup.

Enjoy the two days!!



2024 Sutton Cup Inspiration

The inaugural 2024 Ben Sutton Cup was a tremendous success, marking a new chapter in youth football. The tournament brought together 10 primary schools and 29 teams, with around 350 players competing in 95 exciting games throughout the day.

The event was made possible by the support of key partners, including NSFA, Sydney FC, Football NSW, and Football Australia, who played essential roles in ensuring everything ran smoothly. SEDA College students and St Leo's Catholic College also contributed significantly to the organization and operation of the tournament.

A highlight of the day was the presence of Ben Sutton himself, whose involvement added a special touch to the occasion and celebrated the beginning of what we hope will become an enduring tradition.

The 2024 Ben Sutton Cup has set a strong foundation for future tournaments, and we look forward to seeing this event grow and continue to inspire young footballers in the years to come.



Congratulations to the 2024 winners



Winning Junior Team - Willoughby Public School

Winning Senior Team - Corpus Christi

Check out the 2024, Sutton Cup highlights here:

[2024 Ben Sutton Cup Wrap Up](#)



The Sutton Cup Important Information

The NSFA Sutton Cup will take place across two days of Term 1, providing all primary school aged boys in Years 3 - 6 the chance to take part in our association wide football gala day.

Each day will bring together schools and boys from throughout the Northern Suburbs of Sydney, inviting over 40 schools, stretching from Neutral Bay to Brooklyn. Each school can nominate up to 4 teams, with a recommended squad size of 11 for the junior teams plus a coach/teacher and 13 for the senior teams plus a coach/teacher.

Games will be played on small-sided-fields of 7v7 for Junior and 9v9 for Senior, with a competition winners awarded following our unique points system.

The day intends to celebrate boys playing football, bringing together regular players and non-players to showcase the inclusiveness, enjoyment and camaraderie of football as a sport provides.

Juniors (Years 3 & 4) will play 7v7 on Tuesday 25th February 2025 (Wet weather day –TBD)

Seniors (Years 5 & 6) will play 9v9 on Wednesday 26th February 2025 (Wet weather day – TBD)

In case of wet weather, contact will be made with the nominated school contact.

Time:	Activity:
9:15am	Welcome address
9:30am	Matches commence
~2:00pm	Awards and closing ceremony

Upon arrival, please visit the competition coordinators tent to confirm your attendance.



General Information

ENTRY COST

The Sutton Cup is a free event, with no cost to the school for entering teams.

REGISTRATION

To register teams for The Sutton Cup please follow the below link and fill out all information. If you would like to speak with someone, please call Cathy Fonti on 02 9449 4933.

[2025 Sutton Cup Registration Link](#)

LOCATION

All games will be played at the NSFA Home of Football, North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA), North Turramurra. The newly built facility boasts three full size football fields, amenities, and parking to accommodate hundreds of players and spectators. Map below.

[Online map – North Turramurra Recreational Area \(NTRA\)](#)

North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA), 361 Bobbin Head Road, North Turramurra.
Located in the same precinct as the North Turramurra golf course.

PARKING

NTRA has over 250 parking spots, including bus bays.

FACILITIES

North Turramurra Recreational Area (NTRA) has amenities facilities, with two change rooms and public toilets.

FIRST AID & RISK ASSESSMENT

On both days of the tournament the first aid room will be available, please see the competition coordinators table for any First Aid requirements. A first aid officer will be on hand to assist, along with ice and medical supplies. A risk assessment will be completed and sent to all schools on request and prior to the tournament.

FOOD AND DRINK

The NTRA Canteen will be operating on both days to provide some much-needed sustenance to the players, spectators and teachers during the football-centric day.

Menu for the canteen to be confirmed.



"Canteen in action"

Football Guidelines

Age Group	Year 3 & 4 Boys	Year 5 & 6 Boys
Format	7v7	9v9
Field Size	45m length, 35m wide	65m length, 45m wide
Team Participants	11 players in total	13 players in total
Goal Size	5m x 2m	5m x 2m
Game length	25 minutes (dependant on team entries)	25 minutes (dependant on team entries)

PLAYING FORMATS

PLAYING RULES

The NSFA Sutton Cup will follow NSFA MiniRoos competition regulations. For more information, please see section 3.12.7 b) of the NSFA MiniRoos Competition regulations, link provided below.

[**NSFA MiniRoos Competition Regulations**](#)

GAME LEADERS/REFEREES

NSFA will provide game leaders and referees for the event.

OTHER

In the case of a colour clash NSFA will provide bibs. NSFA will provide all playing balls and goals for the event.



School Checklist

Responsibility:	Item:	Check
School/teacher	Circulate information package to parents/students	
School/teacher	Communicate points system with students	
Teacher	Confirmation of attendance upon arrival at tournament	
Student	Full playing strip (shirt, shorts and socks)	
Student	Football gear – shinpads and boots or trainers	
Student	Lunch or money for canteen	
Student	School colours & Song	



NSFA Skellern Cup Points System

The NSFA Sutton Cup will implement a unique set of criteria each school must work towards in order to be awarded NSFA Sutton Cup Winners.

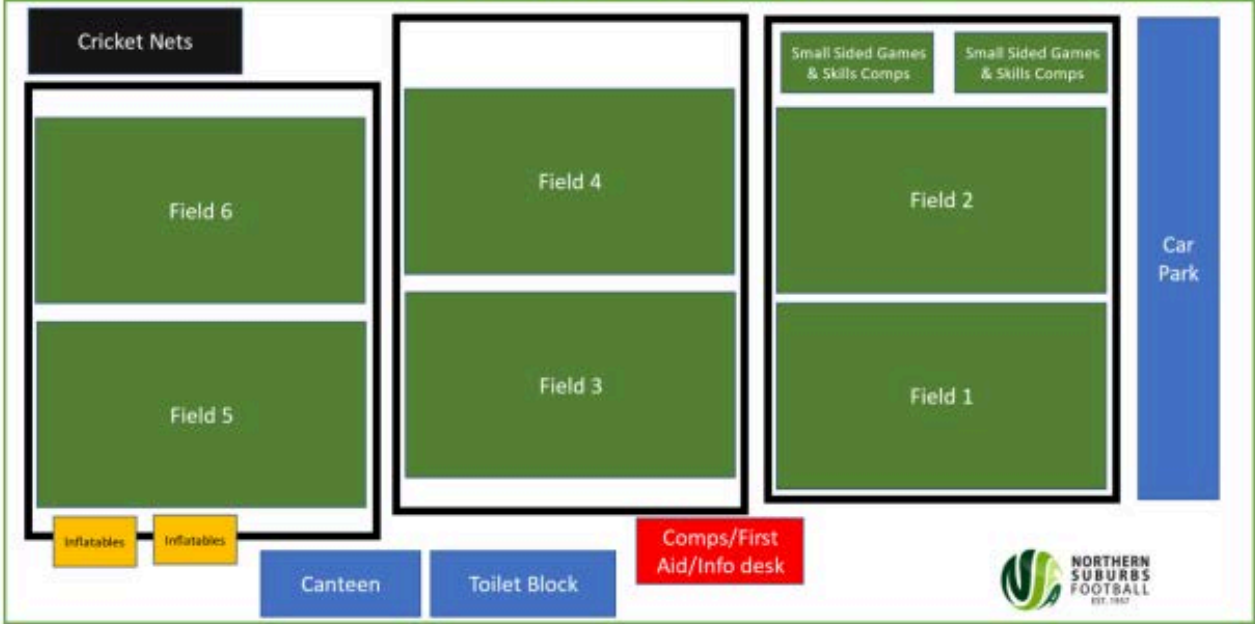
The following points will be **awarded only ONCE** during the day.

Criteria	Points Awarded per team (once only)
School colours worn (players, parents, coaches)	5
Friendly atmosphere	5
Sutton Bonus points	10
Photo with Ben Sutton + post	3
Creating and singing a School/Pararoots chant	10
Pararoots/Paramatildas themed posters	3
	<i>Total of 33 bonus points available</i>

The following points will be awarded for **EACH MARCH** of the day.

Criteria	Points available	Team A - points	Team B - points
COACHES			
Continual encouragement of both teams	1		
Rotating positions of players	2		
<i>Total of 3 points available</i>			
PLAYERS			
Passing the ball to involve ALL players in the game	2		
Supporting teammates and opposition	1		
<i>Total of 3 points available</i>			
SPECTATORS			
Positive comments and support to all players and referees	2		
MATCH			
Win	3		
Draw	1		
Bonus Point for every 3 goals scored (up to 9 goals i.e. 3 goals = 1 point, 6 goals = 2 points etc.)	3		

NSFA Sutton Cup Field Map



The Sutton Cup Contact

Should you need to contact us at any point, please use one of the following methods:

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