



FALKNER HOUSE

Y4 Cricket vs Durston House

19th May 2025

It was a sunny afternoon at Syncombe Avenue (Ealing) for our year 4 fixture v Durston House. There were two matches at the same time with every boy having a turn of batting and bowling. Paired rules, if you lose a wicket its -5 runs but you stay batting. We talked about keeping concentration whilst in the field and how cricket can feel like a slow game compared to football or rugby and also cricket etiquette.

Both Falkner House teams bowled/fielded first. A very good surface to bowl and bat on allowing for some great cricket. Accurate bowling from Nicholas and Araan, picking up a few early wickets for Hampshire. Pietro, playing for Middlesex, also bowled very well, taking a few wickets and managing to keep Durston's run rate down. It was good to see boys growing into the game, not chasing after a ball on the other side of the field and positioning themselves in the correct position to receive/back up on the wickets.

All round the boys have improved at the crease, finding runs regularly. However, Durston have a lot of depth and on both wickets were scoring at a high rate. Hampshire finished with a score of 74, only losing a couple of wickets. However, this was 30 runs short of Durston's total.

Middlesex made 62 runs, but did lose a number of wickets. This was the deciding factor in their match, and the victory would go to Durston. Because of the number of wickets lost Sussex would lose by 45 runs.