

LRGS U13 XI v AKS 17.04.2021

On a fine sunny morning for the season opener, LRGS won the toss and decided to bowl taking an attacking approach to chase on the Astro Douthwaite pitch

LRGS made a fantastic start with the ball and picked up 2 early wickets to give the boys confidence and the appetite to take more. A clear message was delivered to standards in the field which was to be energetic, positive with each other, and concentrate. Pleasingly, the boys applied this superbly and were true ambassadors for LRGS cricket!

The AKS innings ebbed and flowed but LRGS remained disciplined throughout. With only 2 sessions before this fixture, the intention was to spread the overs with so many capable bowlers in the team, which allowed 10 boys to bowl 2 overs each.

With 97 to chase, LRGS lost 2 early wickets in a similar time frame to the AKS innings, which certainly rocked the nerves. However, some sensible and accomplished batting put the innings back on track and LRGS moved to a position of 50 for 2 off 5 overs; this was a key period that secured the eventual victory.

LRGS went on to lose 3 more wickets through the innings but got to the target in the 2nd to last over. The fast scoring in the first 5 overs allowed the middle order to enjoy some time at the crease without too much score board pressure, but more wickets lost certainly would have changed this.

Overall, it was an excellent fixture played by 2 well matched teams and in a good spirit. A massive thank you to all LRGS staff that have worked so hard to prepare the grounds, establish a COVID provision to allow fixtures to be played and of course AKS for travelling to us.

The U 13s are up and running! Fingers crossed for good weather and plenty more fixtures this summer. For all the U13 cricket parents that read this report, you were missed, but we hope to be able to welcome you to fixtures later in the term.