### **Application Letter**

2nd of Decembre 2024

Dear Mr. D'Inca.

We saw the advertisement on the notice board saying that you are going to offer a new sport for two hours every Thursday afternoon after lessons, starting next uear and that we should write, if there is a sport we would like to try. We think that the after-school program is a very good idea. We would like to suggest Quidditch because anyone can play it, regardless of age or gender. There are five different positions in a game of Quidditch. You can play the one that suits you best. Quidditch is an incredibly exciting and challenging sport. Teamwork and quick thinking are very important. And you can play Quidditch both indoors and outdoors.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely

Jessica Zweifel Fiona Weber

# Program / Adresse/ Description of the Activity

Adresse: Schulstrasse 14 6037 Root (lower sports hall widermatte)

## Time: Thursday, 4 pm to 6pm The wearing of sportswear is compulsory!

Quidditch is an exciting but complicated sport. First you will learn the rules and get to know the different positions and the different balls. Then you will know the different positions and the different balls. Then you will play a few matches, without the beaters at first. You should be able to try out all the positions. Over time, you can try out and practice new tricks and tactics. Towards the end of the school year, you can form real teams and play against others.



## MUGGLE QUIDDITCH



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Muggle Quidditch is a combination of many different sports. Muggle Quidditch, also known as **Quadball** has its origins in the **Harry Potter** book series by J.K. Rowling. Were two teams play against each other on flying broom, with enchanted balls and goal hoops mounted at a height of 15 metres.

In 2005, the two US-American college students **Alex Benepe and Xander Manshel** founded the Intercollegial Quidditch Assocation. When the first Quidditch team outside the USA was founded, the name was changed to International Quidditch Association. The Quidditch World Championship and the European Quidditch Championship have taken place since 2012.

#### Some Importante rules:

A maximum of four players of the same gender may play in one team. Each player must clamp a one-meter-long plastic pole between their legs, with symbolizes the broom, restricts movement and makes playing more difficult. Quidditch is a full body contact sport bur of course there are also clear rules. (In the after-school program, we will have to adapt the rules a bit for safety reasons.)

#### The positions and the balls:

The chasers are three players with withe ribbons. They try to score goals with the guaffle, which is a not fully inflated volleyball. The keeper wears a green ribbon. He/She ptotects the goal hoops. The goal hoops are three rings mounted at different heights. The two beaters with the black ribbons try to hit the opponents with a bludger so that they must run back to their goal hoops to be allowed to play again. The bludgers are three dodge balls. The seeker wears a yellow ribbon. He7She, must catch the snitch, which earns his7her team 30 points and automatically ends the game. The Snitch is played by the snitch runner. He/She is a neutral player dressed in yellow with a sock containing a tennis ball attached to his cack. The snitch runner only joins the game from the 20th minute onwards.

## Interview with Quidditch founder Alex Benepe

## How did you come up with the idea of inventing Muggle Quidditch?

Alex told us that he and his classmates in college had been fascinated by the Quidditch played in Harry Potter. When they wanted to play this sport too, he and Xander Manshel had changed the rules a little.

## What was it like playing your Muggle Quidditch the first time?

Alex said that playing Quidditch had been an exciting experience full of team spirit and adrenaline. He said that the mix of strategy and speed had been very challenging – Especially the coordination between the different positions.

#### Isn't Quidditch dangerous?

Alex replied that Quidditch is a rather dangerous sport because it is a full body contact sport. No matter how well the players follow the rules, something could still happen

### Advantages

- -Anyone can play Quidditch, regardless of age or gender
- -There are five different positions in a game of Quidditch. You can play the one that suits you best.
- -You can play Quidditch both indoors and outdoors

