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## JASON ROBERTS FOUNDATION PARISH PROGRAMME

The Jason Roberts Foundation completed its first Grenadian pilot programme Thursday June 28<sup>th</sup>.

The pilot programme culminated in a master class programme delivered at St Georges University Grenada. The programme had seen the Foundation's coaching team travel to 7 venues across the island engaging over 500 young people in 6 Parishes.

Young people were provided with the opportunity to learn new football coaching skills and to have a great time mixing with pupils from other local schools. The Foundation coaches focussed on providing an exciting, educational and fun experience for all young people who participated. The Foundation delivered sessions which included fun warm up games, drills which improved passing, ball control, dribbling & running with the ball. Each coaching session ended with the opportunity for all young people to participate in competitive small sided football games.

At each delivery session, awards were presented to young people who the Foundation coaches identified who demonstrated:

1. Skills to be the best player of the day
2. Best attitude
3. To be most improved player

A girl's only session was held at St George's University campus on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> June to provide girls and young women with an opportunity to develop their football skills.



The pilot programme also saw the Foundation team challenge a mixed island team to a friendly match at Mount Rouge on the Saturday. The Foundation won the match by 4-1 great fun was had by all.

The Master class football programme delivered at St Georges University, provided an intensive coaching programme for 24 young men aged 15 - 19 years who were identified through the coaching programmes delivered in each of the parishes and by Grenadian football coaches. The master class provided a structured programme which enhanced the skills of the participants which included a session in St Georges University fitness gym. These young people will form part of the first cohort who will undertake training to become the first of a series of assistant football coaches to support the work of the Jason Roberts Foundation in the parishes.

Jason Roberts is delighted that there has been such a fantastic response to this initial programme and would like to thank St Georges University and all contributors to this successful venture.

For more information please contact Colin can we discuss

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