MINI-ALLSTARS FOOTBALL FUN CLUB



Our Football Fun Club provides fun and exciting football training sessions for our Mini-AllStars girls and boys aged 4-6 years in a safe and friendly environment.

Each session is supported by a team of FA Qualified coaches, most of whom also volunteer elsewhere in our FA award-winning Club and have lots of experience in helping young children.

Sessions are designed to develop confidence and provide a solid, age-appropriate, base to help young children participate in team sports, with a particular emphasis on football. We are an inclusive club and will make every effort to make reasonable adjustments to the sessions to meet the needs of the children attending.

WHERE AND WHEN

Our Fun Club sessions are now permanently based at Ryeish Green Sports Hub 3G pitch, Hyde End Rd, Ryeish Green, Reading RG7 1EP. We run them every Sunday morning from 11am till 12pm during football season. The pitch is behind the Leisure Centre – its floodlights are easily seen from the entrance.

To adhere to the site rules, please try to keep off the pitch yourself if possible.

COSTS AND BOOKING

Sessions are £5 per week. Please complete our online registration form (below) before arriving for the first time. We will no longer be able to accept cash when you arrive, but you can pay by card or pay securely by scanning a QR code.

KIT

Whilst not essential, it helps to have **football boots** to avoid children slipping. Normal, modern day moulded studs work both on grass and on the 3G pitch. Please not that metal studs are forbidden in youth football nowadays.

The FA requires all participants at football sessions to wear **shin protection**. We have a few in our equipment bag to borrow should you struggle to find a pair or forget your own. Children at this age are unlikely to cause much harm but they do get very excited, accidents sometimes happen.

They will need a **named water bottle for their own personal use**. We take regular "drinks" breaks to help the children rest and for us to set up the next activity.

Please ensure they are dressed in weather and activity appropriate clothing

AT THE END OF THE SESSION

Remember to check for forgotten drinks bottles, jackets, gloves, hats, shoes etc before you leave.

HOW TO REGISTER

- It is essential to complete online registration form before you can come to sessions. You can complete it by going here: https://bit.ly/3YEUbul or using the QR Code below. Details from this may be added to the FA's registration system
- If you have any questions or concerns please don't hesitate to get in touch. We are always happy to help and fully understand that these can be strange and difficult times for some children (and adults too).

Please note that your child can formally participate in team matches as soon as (s)he turns 6. If that is before the end of a calendar year then, depending on availability, they may be able to join a team in January if they missed the September window. If this is of interest let us know and we will talk it through with you.

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