



Hamstel Junior School

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Football at Hamstel Junior School

Dear Parent/Carer,

It is already proving to be a great year for football with the Lionesses inspiring the nation by narrowly missing out on a World Cup win.

We are writing to explain how we are arranging football at Hamstel Junior School for this year. We have adapted our arrangements to ensure that as many of our children get access to football coaching as possible.

Year groups will have access to our after-school football club in the following half terms.

Autumn Term First Half	Autumn Term Second Half	Spring Term First Half	Spring Term Second Half
Year 6 Boys	Year 4 Boys	Year 5 Boys	Year 3 Boys
Years 5 and 6 Girls	Years 3 and 4 Girls	Years 4 and 5 Girls	Years 3 and 4 Girls

Training sessions will be open to both girls and boys of all footballing abilities on Tuesdays between 3:30pm and 4:30pm and will be led by our teachers as well as some carefully selected coaches. As with all our clubs, numbers are limited so places will be allocated on a lottery basis should numbers exceed our limits. Places at this club are subsidised by the school and are therefore free.

Where the opportunities arise, we will be looking for as many of our children as possible to have the experience of representing the school in games against other schools. This may be in the form of tournaments that are organised locally or friendly games against other schools. These teams will be chosen from the children who attend the club sessions for their year group. Where the *Southend Primary School Sports Association* tournaments are advertised as Year 5/6 and Year 3/4, as in the past, we will be giving initial priority to our children in years 6 and 4.

Prior to every half term, we will email a link to each year group for parents and carers to register their interest in their child joining the club. Please complete the online form - [Autumn Term First Half – Year 6 boys and girls and Year 5 girls](#) if you would like a place for your child for this half term. If your child is successful in securing a place in the club, you will receive an email by next Friday.

Please note that this club will start a week before other after school activities on Tuesday 19th September.

We also ask that if your child has outgrown their football boots, that you consider donating them to the school in order for us to build up a collection of boots that children can borrow if needed. If you are able to donate a pair of boots, please hand them in at the school office.

We are looking forward to an exciting year of football ahead.

Yours sincerely

The Hamstel PE Team