



Primary Provision for Football

2024-2025



Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Ivybridge Community College Football Academy

Sport plays a central role at Ivybridge Community College. The College has a genuine passion for physical activity at all levels of ability – from ‘participation for all’ through to high-level elite sport.

The College has a coordinated approach and clear structures towards the development of sport. Our vision is to give every child at Ivybridge Community College the opportunity to pursue their interest in sport, physical activity, and physical education. We will do this by providing access to excellent teaching and coaching, support, and sports provision at all levels of ability.

Football is a sport for everyone. Whether you play for fun, to socialise, to be active or to be competitive, we can support all of these reasons at the College. It is our vision to get as many people playing football as possible.

Our football initiative is simple. To inspire, support and develop all our students, no matter of their gender, race or ability, to be active, socialise, and to enjoy football. We provide numerous opportunities for girls of all abilities to get involved in football at different intensities.

Aims of the Provision

Primary Academy

We aim for all our footballers to have the opportunity to work towards learning new skills, socialise with other children, and compete in competitions and festivals. The Football Academy provides sessions for **Year 5 and Year 6 girls and boys** of all abilities.

What is Wild Cats?

Weetabix Wildcats is a non-competitive football session for **Year 3 – 6 girls** who want to give it a go for the very first time or want to play with other girls their own age. Most importantly, Weetabix Wildcats is all about having lots of fun and meeting new friends. The sessions focus on developing your child's fundamental movement skills, agility, balance, coordination and speed, skills required not only for football but for all sports.

Expectations

- Parents/carers are expected to complete a Consent Form and pay the required fees
- Students should make every effort to attend every Tuesday
- Students should be enthusiastic and try their best!

Ivybridge Community College Football Academy Details

Head of Football	Dave Leonard
Academy Coaches	Matt Warne Rob Jenkins Taylor Wynn Dan Sullivan Chris Warren Poppy Johnson Lydia Dodds Tom Savigar

Address and Venue	Artificial Grass Pitch 2 (smaller pitch) Ivybridge Community College Harford Road Ivybridge Devon PL21 0JA
Email Contact and Communication	Footballacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
Primary Training Days	Tuesday
Groups/Sessions	Primary Football Academy: 4.00 – 5.00pm (Years 5 – 6 girls and boys) Wild Cats: 5.00 – 6.00pm (girls only, Years 3 – 6)

New Starters to the Academy

There will be 30 places allocated to students from across all our primary schools on a first come, first served basis.

If you would like your child to be a part of this exciting Football Academy please email your child's name to Footballacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk to find out if there is a space. If a place is available in the Academy you will be asked to complete the attached Consent Form and return it with the fee at the start of the football session. If a space is not available you will be asked if you would like to be placed on a waiting list.

Training Dates for the Academic Year

Please find below the dates for the Academy. All students are welcome to attend the sessions outlined below.

Term	Term Dates 2024 - 2025
Term 1	Monday, 9 September – Friday, 25 October 2024
	Monday, 4 November – Friday, 20 December 2024
Term 2	Tuesday, 7 January – Friday, 14 February 2025
	Monday, 24 February – Friday, 4 April 2025
Term 3	Tuesday, 22 April – Friday, 23 May 2025
	Monday, 2 June – Thursday, 26 June 2025
Times	Primary Football Academy: Tuesdays, 4.00 – 5.00pm (girls and boys) Wild Cats: Tuesdays, 5.00 – 6.00pm (girls only)

Cost	<p>Term 1 and Term 2 £45.00 per term for each Academy £90.00 per term for two Academies</p> <p>Term 3: £35.00 per term for each Academy £70.00 per term for two Academies</p> <p>Cost for the Year £125.00 for the year for one Academy £250.00 for the year for two Academies</p>
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Academy Fees and Options for Payment

Payment must be made at the start of each term/year by bringing in cash or a cheque. Students will need to be dropped off and collected from the Artificial Grass Pitch 2. **New starters** will have one trial session at a cost of **£5.00**, payment is then required in full for the rest of the term.

Pay Per Term

Payment must be made in advance of the next term. The payment must be made in full for each term. Late payments will not be accepted. Children will not be allowed to train if fees have not been paid for in advance. Payment will not be accepted per session. Payments are non-refundable if children drop out of the Academy during the term. Sessions will not be discounted due to illness.

Pay for the Year

Students can pay for the whole year if they are fully committed and dedicated to their squad. All payments can be made in cash or cheques (made payable to Westcountry Schools Trust). There will be a waiting list for students if the Academy is full.

Consent Form

Please complete a Consent Form and pay the fees on the day you join. Simply bring payment and consent form with you on your first day of training.

Academy Contact and Communication

If you would like further information or have any questions or concerns, please contact the Football Academy via email: Footballacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk

Yours faithfully

Helen Reddy
Director of Enrichment and Sports Academy