



Primary Provision for Gymnastics

2025 - 2026



Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Ivybridge Community College Gymnastics Academy Provision

Ivybridge Community College provides many opportunities for students to develop their gymnastics abilities. The Gymnastics Academy provides sessions for primary students of all abilities from pre-school to Year 6.

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.

Aims of the Academy

We aim for all gymnasts to have the opportunity to work towards learning new skills, socialise with other children, achieve British Gymnastics badges, compete in competitions and perform in shows.

Ivybridge Community College Gymnastics Academy Details

Head of Gymnastics	Helen Reddy
Payment Information	Ashley Saunders
Academy Coaches	Ashley Saunders Lydia Dodds Ellie Bickle
Address and Venue	The Gymnasium Ivybridge Community College Harford Road Ivybridge Devon PL21 0JA
Email Contact and Communication	gymnasticsacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk Facebook Page – Ivybridge Gymnastics Academy
Primary Training Days	Mondays, Wednesdays and Thursdays

New starters to the Academy

All children joining Ivybridge Community College Gymnastics Academy for the first time will begin in the following three different age groups:

- Primary 4+ (Gym Crazy Kids)
- Primary 5+
- Primary 8+

If you would like your child to be a part of the exciting Gymnastics Academy, please email Helen Reddy and Ashley Saunders (gymnasticsacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk) to find out if there is a space available. Please email your child's name and age. If a place is available in the Academy, you will be asked to complete the attached Consent Form and return it on your first session with the academy fees. If a space is not available you will be asked if you would like to be placed onto a waiting list.

Training Dates for the Academic Year

The Academy's opening dates are listed below. Please also see the training camps which are available at an additional cost of £10.00.

Term	Term Dates 2025-2026	Holiday Gymnastics Training Camp Dates
Term 1	Monday, 15 September – Thursday, 23 October 2025	Wednesday, 29 October 2025 – £10.00 9.00 – 11.30am
	Monday, 3 November – Friday, 12 December 2025	Christmas Break – No Camps
Term 2	Monday, 12 January – Friday, 13 February 2026	Wednesday, 18 February 2026 – £10.00 9.00 – 11.30am
	Monday, 23 February – Thursday, 2 April 2026	Wednesday, 15 April 2026 – £10.00 9.00 – 11.30am
Term 3	Monday, 20 April – Friday, 22 May 2026 Monday, 4 May 2026 – no training due to Bank Holiday	Wednesday, 27 May 2026 – £10.00 9.00 – 11.30am
	Monday, 1 June – Thursday, 25 June 2026	Three Summer Camps Dates to be confirmed

Academy Squads and Training Times

Gymnasts are welcome to attend the sessions outlined below. Please see the times, venue to meet at and cost per term.

Primary 4+ Squad - Gym Crazy Kids Group						
Day	Time	Venue/Meeting Point	Cost Term 1	Cost Term 2	Cost Term 3	Cost Per Year
Monday	4.00 – 5.00pm	Gymnasium	£45.00	£45.00	£35.00	£125.00

Primary 5+ Squad						
Day	Time	Venue/Meeting Point	Cost Term 1	Cost Term 2	Cost Term 3	Cost Per Year
Monday	5.15 – 6.15pm	Gymnasium	£45.00	£45.00	£35.00	£125.00
Wednesday	5.15 – 6.15pm	Gymnasium	£45.00	£45.00	£35.00	£125.00

Primary 8+ Squad						
Day	Time	Venue/Meeting Point	Cost Term 1	Cost Term 2	Cost Term 3	Cost Per Year
Monday	5.15 – 6.15pm	Gymnasium	£45.00	£45.00	£35.00	£125.00
Wednesday	5.15 – 6.15pm	Gymnasium	£45.00	£45.00	£35.00	£125.00

Primary Development Squad (Selected 5+ and 8+ years)						
Day	Time	Venue/Meeting Point	Cost Term 1	Cost Term 2	Cost Term 3	Cost Per Year
Thursday	5.15 – 6.45pm	Gymnasium	£55.00	£55.00	£45.00	£155.00

Expectations of the Gymnastics Academy

Primary Gym Crazy Kids and Development Squads

- Confirm your child's place by completing a Consent Form (attached)
- Must pay termly Gymnastics fees by cash or cheque
- Attend all gymnastics sessions throughout the term
- Compete in Artistic Floor and Vault competitions (selected gymnasts)
- Gymnasts will have the opportunity to be selected to attend the Primary Development Squad group depending on work ethos, commitment and skill development
- Gymnasts can stop training at any time, if they wish to do so
- Please wear gymnastics/leisure type clothing suitable for weather conditions to include t-shirt, shorts, jumper and leggings. Gymnasts can also wear crop tops and leotards

Academy fees and options for payment

Academy fees must be paid per term or year and in advance of the start of term. **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 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

Gymnasts can pay for the whole year if they are fully committed and dedicated to their squad. All payments can be made by cash or cheque (made payable to **Westcountry Schools Trust**). There will be 15 places available per group in the Development Squads and 20 places in the Selected Development Squads. There will be a waiting list for gymnasts in the Development Squads if the squads are full.

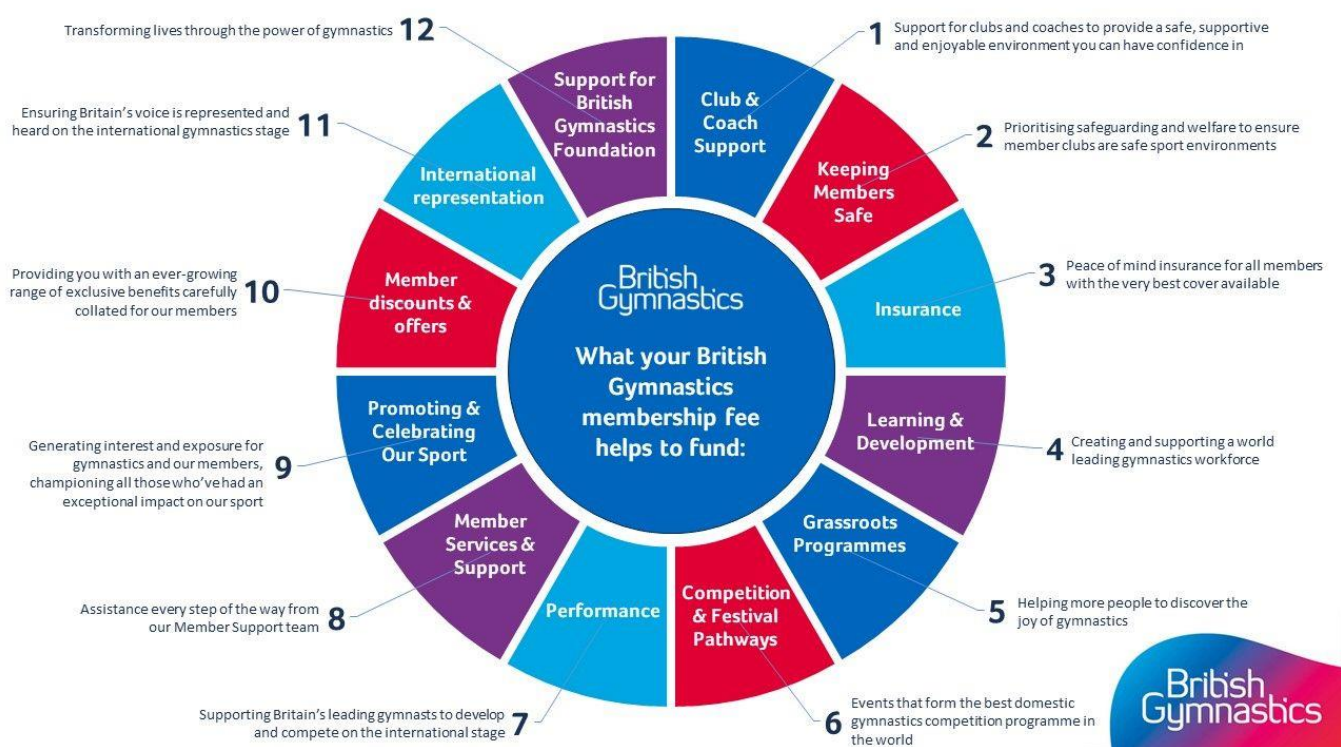
British Gymnastics Membership

One of the requirements of attending gymnastics sessions at Ivybridge Community College Gymnastics Academy is annual membership of British Gymnastics (BG).

Membership Benefits

Whether you are just starting out, or have been involved in gymnastics for some time, there is a whole range of benefits to being a part of the British Gymnastics community:

- To be part of a strong and recognised organisation that ensures a safe, child-friendly and fun environment to enjoy gymnastics
- Access to coaches qualified to national standards, ensuring the training received is of the highest standard
- Opportunities for entry into competitions at all levels, for all abilities and disciplines
- GymFusion – access to any of the events within the National Festivals Programme and Gymnastics for All
- Comprehensive insurance packages
- Access to the Customer Support Department – advice and guidance for every aspect of your membership
- BGTV – available on www.british-gymnastics.org/bgtv - bringing you the best gymnastics videos, interviews and events from the world of British Gymnastics
- [My Leadership Academy programme](#) – enabling young people to help shape the future workforce of the Gymnastics community.



Membership renewals are due on a yearly basis. From October 2017, to comply with new General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR), we are no longer able to pass on personal details to British Gymnastics. It is therefore, essential that the following process is followed in this order:

1. You must register your child's membership details directly through the British Gymnastics website
2. All membership fees must be paid to **British Gymnastics** directly

What type of membership do you need?

Community Membership (£24.00)

- Secondary Elite Squads
- Primary Elite Squads
- Primary Development Squads
- Primary Gym Crazy Kids, 5+ and 8+ Squads

Competitive gymnasts who compete regionally in a club level competition (not school level) will require a competitive membership. This will cost £60. We will inform gymnasts of any additional costs when required to do so.

You will need to go to the British Gymnastics Membership portal on the website to complete either the 'new membership' or 'membership renewal' process (more details below). Completing this process will create your child's vital insurance cover for the year.

Which membership type is right for you?

Community (£6 discount for Preschool children)	Competitive	National	Enhanced	Sport Support Services
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Preschool• Recreational gymnast• Judge• Club manager/administrator• Welfare officer• Young leader• Helper	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Competitive gymnast	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• National+ gymnast• Assistant coach	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Coach• Activity instructor• Complimentary members	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Anyone providing ancillary services to British Gymnastics members
£24	£60	£75	£105	£5

Where and how to complete membership

Regardless of whether you are an existing or new member you can complete your child's membership process by going to the British Gymnastics website and clicking on the **Membership** tab. The specific web address is: <https://mybg.british-gymnastics.org/Account.mvc/Login?ReturnUrl=%2f>

When the portal is open you will be asked to enter (**answers in bold**):

- Personal details (which may speed up the process if BG already has your details on file)
- Confirm Gymnastics Club – **Ivybridge Gym Academy**
- Membership types – Community Membership or Competitive Membership (as stated above)

British Gymnastics tells us that the registration system on their website is quick and easy to use by mobile phone, tablet, computer or laptop. You will not need to pay anything extra. British Gymnastics will activate your membership and insurance cover will start immediately after you have completed the process, they will then send your membership confirmation and benefits information by both post and email. British Gymnastics will notify Ivybridge Community College Gymnastics Academy immediately when you have completed your registration.

Consent Form

Please complete a Consent Form and pay the training fees on the day you join to confirm your place. If the classes are not full the waiting lists will be invited to join the Academy. Please put for the attention of Mr Saunders on the envelope.

Academy Contact and Communication

If you would like further information or have any questions, please contact Ashley Saunders and **not** the individual coaches:

Ashley Saunders

Email: gymnasticsacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk

Address: Ivybridge Community College Gymnastics Academy, Ivybridge Community College, Harford Road, Ivybridge, PL21 0JA

Yours faithfully

Helen Reddy
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