



Primary Provision for Football

2025-2026



Dear Parent/Carer

Re: Ivybridge Community College Primary Football Academy Provision

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 Primary Football Academy provides sessions for **Year 5 and Year 6 girls and boys** of all abilities.

Expectations

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

Ivybridge Community College Primary Football Academy Details

Head of Football	Dave Leonard
Academy Coaches	Jessica Russell Matt Warne Matt Smale Taylor Wynn Joe Burford Poppy Johnson Lydia Dodds
Address and Venue	All Weather Pitch 1 (large pitch) Ivybridge Community College Harford Road Ivybridge Devon PL21 0JA
Email Contact and Communication	Footballacademy@ivybridge.devon.sch.uk
Primary Training Days	Mondays
Groups/Sessions	Primary Football Academy: 4.30 – 5.30pm (Years 5 and Year 6 girls and boys)

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 Primary 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 2025 - 2026
Term 1	Monday, 22 September – Thursday, 23 October 2025
	Monday, 3 November – Friday, 12 December 2025
Term 2	Monday, 12 January – Friday, 13 February 2026
	Monday, 23 February – Thursday, 2 April 2026
Term 3	Monday, 20 April – Friday, 22 May 2026
	Monday, 1 June – Friday, 25 June 2026
Times	Primary Football Academy: Monday, 4.30 – 5.30pm (girls and boys)
Cost	Term 1 £45.00 per term for each Academy Term 2 £45.00 per term for each Academy Term 3: £35.00 per term for each Academy Cost for the Year £125.00 for the year for one Academy

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 All Weather Pitch 1. **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