

Dear Parents,

I hope you all had a great half term break with the children. Thank you for those players that attended soccer school and Academy training last week.

We have put back games a week to let the boys settle in at King Edmunds this week. Next Wednesday (11th) games will be for under 6/7/8/9 players. The week after (18th) games will be for under 10/11/12 boys. Obviously these will be at King Edmunds, if you could make every effort to be at the school by 4.50pm it will be much appreciated. Boys not involved in games will train as normal.

Could players bring boots and trainers every week as we may train on grass outside of the astro at times. We are in process of setting up a training kit deal for December. It would be helpful if all players could get in the habit of wearing white shorts and socks for training as part of their kit.

Game v Spurs for under 10/11/12 boys will take place on Monday 16th November. At Gable Hall school, Thurrock. Meet 6.45pm. More details will be given out next week but if for any reason you cant attend please look at the website for details.

News letters are now on the website so if you do miss a week please look on the site, the letter should be there on Thursday. I am also in the process of putting on the website a section which will give all training dates and game dates. As a note, training will always be on in term time every Wednesday at King Edmunds, rain, wind, sleet, cold and nice weather! If there has been a heavy lot of snow see the website, this would be the only time cancelled and will be down to King Edmunds.

Wednesday 25th November the under 7/8/9 boys will play Southend at King Edmunds and the 2nd December will be the under 10/11/12 boys playing the same opponents.

Before Christmas we will feedback to each parent and player their progress at the Academy. There are boys that have trialled and now need to make the commitment of joining the Academy. Sam is registering tonight, please see her for a form if you have not put down all your childs details, your contact numbers etc.

Subs are due tonight please for November.

In the next 2 weeks we have Neil Harris of Millwall FC who will be taking a training session on shooting and finishing. Neil is and has been one of the best centre forwards in the lower leagues for the past ten years. He is Millwalls all time top scorer so the boys will benefit from his experience.

The goalkeeper section still needs new keepers. Please, if you know of a keeper, maybe in your sons team, ask if they would like to come along for the specialist coaching and have a free week as a taster.

Thank you for all of you who have helped promote the Academy of late and introduced new players.

Thank you for your continued support, as ever if you have any questions please contact Kevin on 07768 581205.

Regards

Kevin, Matt and all the Academy Staff