



SATURDAY MORNING FOOTBALL: PARENTS GUIDE

Welcome to Techne Global Sports

Firstly, thank you for booking with **Techne Global Sports** for our **Saturday morning football coaching sessions** in Sheffield. This 'Parents Guide' contains a comprehensive list of session details, clothing, directions and kit requirements, something that we find that new parents find useful to use as a last minute checklist before attending our sessions.

If you should have any queries at all, please ring our team directly on: **0114 258 9297** or email: **info@techneglobal.com** and we will be happy to help you.

OUR GOALS FOR EVERY TECHNE GLOBAL SPORTS SESSION ARE TO:

- ✓ Improve every child's technical ability in football
- ✓ Develop every child's confidence and team work
- ✓ To provide an education to each child about fair play, team work, honesty, and hard work – key values that will benefit your child in sport, school and throughout their lives.
- ✓ Guarantee children have fun within a safe and friendly environment
- ✓ Allow children to make new friends and build existing relationships through sport
- ✓ Ensure every boy and girl leaves with a BIG smile on their face and that they are keen to learn more about the beautiful game!

LOCATION:

Techne Global Sports Saturday morning football sessions take place at King Edwards Lower School, Darwin Lane, Sheffield S10 5RG.

(Note 1: King Edwards Lower School is at the top of the hill 50 yards above Tapton School, many have mistaken the two schools in the past due to their proximity so please ensure that you have the correct school on entrance via the school entrance sign).

(Note 2: There are 2 King Edwards Schools within 2 miles of each other, please ensure that you go to the LOWER school and not the upper school for King Edwards).

Our sessions take place outdoors on the 3G astro-turf playing field, this withstands 90% of the weather conditions (except extreme snow) and is ideal for training on throughout the year. Upon arrival please go straight to the astro-turf slightly above the car parking area.

Because parents pay in advance of arrival we are able to swiftly take a register immediately and get started promptly, where possible please try to arrive for either your 9am (development class) or 10am a start (advanced class) so that the sessions can begin on time. At the start of a session children are given a ball each and assigned to their group (dependent on age, experience etc.) and will be introduced to their group leader to begin the training (age specific sports coach).

ARRIVAL AND COLLECTION:

- **9.00am – 10:00: Development Class (4 – 8 years)**
- **10:00 – 11.30: Advanced Class (8 – 14 years)**

Parents are welcome to stay on site and watch their children's session, alternatively if you have other commitments such as shopping for example then it is not a problem to leave the session and return to collect your child at the end of the session (please note: because we have back to back sessions we ask parents of the development session to arrive 5 minutes before the session ends, this is because we cannot supervise children from the development session after 10am once we have begun our advanced session at 10am, we often have other coaching commitments after our advanced session at 11.30 so please try to arrive with a few minutes before the end of

the session to collect your child, if you arrive at 11am you can watch the final matches being played).

Can we ask that if you are happy for your son/daughter to make their own journey home please send a short email to our administrator Thomas Clarke at: info@techneglobal.com so that we can add this note to our register for all future sessions.

If it is our first time meeting you and we are unsure as to whom you are, you may be asked your identity, please do not be offended by this – **your Childs safety is our priority.**

MEDICAL NEEDS/ MEDICATION:

On arrival any medication (clearly labelled with your child's name) must be handed to the member of staff taking the register so that they can make a record of your requirements for application of the medication if it is required for usage at any point.

CLOTHING:

Below is a suggested list of clothes and footwear to wear and spare equipment to bring to help you prepare for the session:

Every child must bring appropriate outdoor sports clothing and footwear suitable for the weather conditions for that given weekend.

Essential items: Shin pads MUST be worn by EVERY child, outdoor trainers or astro-turf trainers (please note: We accept plastic molded football boots, however when possible we ask parents to instead ask children to wear trainers or astro-turf trainers, this is because molded boots can hurt children more when tackling in games), shorts and/or jogging bottoms and a warm top and/or a rain jacket are all essential items.

Additional items to consider:

- A hat and gloves for protection from the cold is a good idea as we spend a lot of time outside
- Goalkeeping gloves - (This is only essential for children who want to play in goal during their time on camp)

- Sun cream – ...IF we are ever lucky enough to have sunny weather, and especially if your child is susceptible to sunburn, please supply cream to them before arrival to the session and also allow them to bring extra to apply during break periods.

PHOTO AND VIDEO PROMOTIONS:

From time to time, we take photos/videos of sessions to use exclusively for our future promotional materials and activities. This really helps us to show the coaching activities we are doing to future families interested in joining our sessions. If you do not want your child to have their image used please let a member of staff know on site or email: info@techneglobal.com. Thank you.

FAQS:

MY CHILD HAS NEVER PLAYED FOOTBALL BEFORE, CAN HE/SHE STILL ATTEND THE COURSE?

Yes, all of our courses are designed to cater for all players from the absolute beginner to the more experienced players. We believe football is for all not just the star players.

DO I NEED TO BRING MY BOOKING CONFIRMATION EMAIL?

No, because it is all done electronically your booking will be added to our records, if for some reason we have missed it on the register in error we can quickly access our shopping cart via mobile and check records of your booking and add you to the register on the site once the booking is confirmed.

WILL MY CHILD NEED TO TAKE A DRINK?

Yes, we ask all parents to please provide your child with a drink. Some may also want to bring a light snack such as fruit to refuel mid-session but this is only optional.

HOW ARE THE GROUPS THAT CHILDREN PARTICIPATE WITHIN ARRANGED?

We normally group children together for activities taking account of a number of factors including: age, proficiency, experience levels and confidence in line with where a child feel most comfortable to take part. Through this method we have found that we get the best learning and development from each child.

Please note: If you feel that your child is participating in a group that is too difficult or that they need pushing further please let our coaching staff know so that they can review this with you for future sessions. We try our best to match ages/abilities together to ensure that every child has the best experience and leaves with a smile and we will work closely with you to achieve this.

MY DAUGHTER WOULD LIKE TO ATTEND, DO YOU HAVE ANY OTHER GIRLS WHO COME ON YOUR COURSES?

Yes, girls attend both the development and advanced classes. In recent years we have had both female child players that have represented Doncaster Rovers Belles and Sheffield FC and female coaches from Doncaster Rovers Belles, Leeds United and Sheffield FC. Football is the biggest participation sport for women in Britain and we do our best to try and continue this trend to grow.

WHAT HAPPENS IF MY CHILD LEAVES AN ITEM ON SITE?

If found, a member of staff will be collected and saved for a period of 2 weeks (14 days). Please make a point of checking it before you leave the camp each day and if you notice an item is missing please call: 0114 2589297 or email:info@techneglobal.com straight away.

DO YOU HAVE SAFEGUARDING POLICIES IN PLACE?

Yes, we have a range of policies including safeguarding children, respect policies, health and safety, and many more. We keep a portfolio of all of our policies and procedures to help demonstrate how every child's safety, happiness and development in soccer is our number one priority. These can be found online via our website in the about us section.

All Techne Global members of staff receive a full set of these policies as part of their induction and training programme and we focus on their ability to implement them practically on a daily basis as part of looking after your child in their care.

CAN YOU GET MY CHILD INTO A PROFESSIONAL CLUB?

We can never make this sort of promise to any family. Players that show potential and the right attitude will be pushed to play at their highest level possible. Players develop at different times therefore this is very specific from individual to individual. Our coach's will support and encourage players and we are happy to give advice and recommendations to how you can progress to the next level whether that be local club football or higher.

We work closely with professional and local football teams and regional centres of excellent in Yorkshire and the Midlands and will always do our best to help and offer advice as to how your child can best develop to the best of their ability.

COACHING DELIVERY TEAM



Director of Coaching: Omari Williams MSc, BSc (Hons)

Omari is an experienced and passionate sports coach with over 15 years of experience in the sport education sector. As well as being camp director for Techne Global Sports he is also a Senior Lecturer of Sport at the University of Derby, and has previously worked at Sheffield Hallam University as a lecturer in sport, and coached within a number of academies in the UK and more recently in India and China developing coaching practices with staff in both countries.

Head Coach: Callum Saxby BSc (Hons)



Callum works within a number of schools within Sheffield delivering Physical Education (PE) to both primary and secondary aged children. An extremely experienced coach in a number of sports with a broad range of coaching qualifications including a degree in Sports Coaching gained from Sheffield Hallam University, and level 2 multi-skills and level 2 multi-sport coaching awards, he is also a fully qualified first aider and the manager of Charnock Ridgeway Junior Football Club. He has successfully supported 4 players in the last 12 months to be gain trails at Sheffield United Football Club, demonstrating his skill of developing youth talent.

Senior Coach: Jake Lister BSc (Hons)

Jake has worked as a professional coach for 5 years. He has worked in both the amateur and professional game coaching in professional academies such as Chesterfield FC and Sheffield United FC and also working within a number of schools and sports clubs delivering football coaching. Jake has completed a degree in Sports Coaching and Development at Sheffield Hallam University.



Coach: Jamie Asquith BSc (Hons)

Jamie has a degree in PE and Sports Coaching and is passionate about developing young players in football. He has delivered football and multi-sports sessions across South Yorkshire in Sheffield, Doncaster and Barnsley. We have earmarked Jamie as one of our most promising coaches over the next 12 months.



CONTACTING US:

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Thank you for signing up to this terms football and we look forward to seeing you every weekend.