

Trumpington FC

Terms & Conditions

Updated 23rd February 2023

Club Ethos

- We are an equal opportunity, all-inclusive club that welcomes anyone in the community wishing to play football.
- We develop our members' skills and knowledge of the game by providing high quality <u>professional</u> coaching to grassroots football.
- We provide a positive, safe environment whereby every child is nurtured to reach their full potential. We value endeavour, respect and sportsmanship.

Team Formation

- Teams are formed based on your child's age as of September.
- Teams begin U8 (Year 3) that play in the Cambridgeshire Mini Soccer League through to Colt Teams (U12 upwards). We are open to creating other teams/age groups to meet public demand (numbers permitting and providing volunteer parent managers can be identified).
- We welcome children of all abilities. Teams are ability-tiered as determined by our independent Head Coaches so that children can be challenged appropriately to facilitate their development.
- Mixed (boys & girls) ability-tiered teams per age group are: Kings, Knights, Archers, Dragons and Wizards. Girls teams per age group are: Tigers and Jaguars.
- Teams are determined following our annual Recruitment Days (March) and reviewed at the end of the season at which time changes may be made for the following season by the Head Coach in consultation with your managers to support the child's development and achieve the appropriate level of match challenge.
- Team Place Offer Letters are issued in April. New children have equal opportunity of being in any team as returning members, as such teams may also change each season.

We Do Things a Little Differently

- Whilst winning matches is always nice, development of the children is at the forefront of this club.
- A significant part of your subscriptions is for professional coaching by Over & In Ltd which takes place mid-week. During the year your children follow a progressive development programme with themes each month and increasing depth week by week. All squads receive the same training regardless of ability.
- We are inclusive of all regardless of ability, but we tier our teams so that similar abilities can play together and be challenged in matches by those of similar ability. Our independent Head Coach forms the teams, not the parents or Managers.

- We undertake a mid-season review at Christmas and children receive feedback regarding their development targets.
- Becoming a member therefore means you are agreeing to join the club and not a specific team.
- Volunteer parents act as Managers for the matches and form a close link with the professional coaches delivering the mid-week coaching.
- You will receive 2 personalised reports during the year regarding your child's development.

What You're Signing Up To

- By completing the online registration and paying the Administrative Fee, you agree for your child to join the club and permit your child to be registered with the Cambridgeshire FA and Cambridgeshire Mini Soccer League/Colt League/SSE Women & Girls League (as applicable) in order that they can take part in matches to compete against other teams in the region.
- You agree to fully pay the subscriptions for the season and to follow the club Constitution and Policies.
- Please only accept this place in a team if * ...
 - o you are committed to attending the majority of the season matches. Failure to do so may mean that matches needs to be cancelled due to inadequate numbers of children, therefore letting everyone down in your team.
 - o you can attend the majority of your 1-hour training session mid-week.
- In order to keep subscriptions low, we run a variety of Fundraising Activities throughout the year and your support is appreciated.
- * An alternative is our Development Squad that train Saturday or Sunday mornings, do NOT have matches and the option to attend more casually on a term by term basis.

Subscriptions & Bursaries

- Subscriptions are reviewed each season, in 2022/23 it was £260.
- In addition, new members pay a £60 Administration Fee upon acceptance of team place to purchase your kit. Your child will not be registered without payment of this fee. The Administration Fee is non-refundable unless the team is not formed/registered.
- The subscriptions can be paid either entirely by 1st September, or in 2 instalments of on 1st September and 1st February.
- Per our Constitution, failure to pay subscriptions will result in the child being withdrawn from membership.
- Subscriptions covers the cost of kit, coaching, training & match facility hire, team & pitch equipment.
- Half-season refunds are provided if notification of withdrawal is received in writing prior to 31st December each year.
- Our Bursary Policy and Application Form can be obtained by emailing treasurer@trumpingtonfc.com. Bursaries are awarded at the start of the season.

Your Team Managers

- Over & In coaches provide the squad training mid-week. Parent volunteer Managers are required only to manage the children for Saturday morning matches. Managers will be DBS approved, Safeguarded and Emergency Aid trained.
- If you would like to manage your child's team, please advise our membership officers. Previous experience and extensive knowledge of football is <u>not</u> required, but rather a willingness to get involved and create a positive environment for the children; our coaches can provide you with the necessary training and support.
- If no parents are forthcoming to manage the team your child is assigned to, it will unfortunately not be formed/registered. In this instance your £60 administration fee will be refunded along with any part or full subscription payments.

Training

- Weekly training begins mid-August and finishes end-July mirroring school term dates. There is no training during school holidays.
- Each year group has its own mid-week training session. All teams within a year group train at the same time and undertake the same development plan to provide equal opportunity for progression. Every team has their own professionally qualified coach who is the same week-on-week.
- All training takes place in Trumpington.

Matches

- Matches are most Saturday mornings. Kick-off is usually 10:00am or 11am, warm up starts 45 minutes beforehand. Your fixture schedule will be provided so you can plan ahead.
- We expect matches to start beg-Sept when the schools start. The season finishes mid-May.
- Half of your matches are at home. For the away matches you will need to travel throughout Cambridgeshire e.g. Cherry Hinton, Saffron Walden, Milton, Ely. Car sharing with team-mates is common.
- Your home matches will be played in Trumpington at one of our match venues.

Club Kit Policy

- When a member joins the club, they will pay a £60 administration fee to contribute towards the cost of kit.
- It is expected that all players attend matches in full kit consisting of shirt, shorts, socks and jacket.
- You will retain your kit until such time as it is too small or in poor condition, at which time the club will exchange this at no further cost to yourselves.
- Additional socks can be purchased from the club by members at any time.

- Kit in poor condition will be replaced at cost to the club. Lost kit must be replaced at cost to the member.
- Should a player leave he/she is entitled to keep the kit, but we welcome donations to help the club to free resources and expand the reach of its community mission.
- It is mandatory to wear your kit for matches; optional for training.
- In addition, there is *optional* kit that can be purchased at your expense e.g. tracksuit, beanie hat. Please see https://www.oneills.com/uk_en/shop-by-team/soccer/soccer-clubs/trumpington-fc.html
- All children must wear shin pads, should bring a water bottle, be dressed in appropriate clothing for the weather and have with them necessary medications e.g. inhalers. Coaches & Managers have the right to refuse play without such.

Contact

• Membership enquiries can be sent to:

U8-U11 Teams: minimembership@trumpingtonfc.com
U12-U16 Teams: coltmembership@trumpingtonfc.com
Girls only teams: girlsmembership@trumpingtonfc.com

Constitution & Policies

• The Club Constitution and full set of policies can be found on our website: www.trumpingtonfc.com