WHEATLEY WANDERERS JFC

MEMBERSHIP & GUIDANCE PACK



2019-2020 SEASON







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Who we are...

Wheatley Wanderers Junior Football Club was founded in 2004, the first team being formed from a group of ten children of differing ages. The club has now evolved and has teams of different age groups playing in the Doncaster and Junior Sunday Football League.

We have teams from under 7's all the way through to under 16's. The teams start by playing 5-a-side, at under 7 and under 8's age groups, progress to 7-a-side at under 9's and under 10's. At under 11's the teams start playing 9-a-side eventually moving onwards from the under 14's to 11-a-side.

Our aim is for the players to come Wheatley Wanderers and enjoy playing football.

What you should expect...

A positive approach to enjoyment for all players, parents, guardians and spectators. Our players flourish in the family friendly atmosphere of the club, gain confidence in playing with fellow teams mates, and enjoy forging new friendships.

Where we play...

We train and play our matches at our home ground.

Wheatley Wanderers JFC, Hills Lane Playing Field, Hills Lane, Wheately, Doncaster, DN2 5QA



During the winter months our coaches organise additional training on all weather pitches. Please speak to your individual coach for prices and times.

Joining the club...

It is important that your child enjoys their experience at Wheatley Wanderers JFC. So your first point of contact is your appropriate age group coach who will talk you through the steps of joining the club. When your child starts with us we won't expect you to pay the Membership Fee straight away. We understand that it can take children time to decide if they enjoy new activities and clubs, and so new starters are welcome to come along to training for a few weeks before committing to payment.

For all our players that are remaining with the club for the new season then please speak to your coach about the signing on dates.







Club Philosophy

Wheatley Wanderers JFC prides itself on enjoyment, participation and feeling part of team. We take pride in evolving players of all abilities through our dedicated network of qualified coaches, referees and committee members. We are dedicated to the FA RESPECT campaign. Respect is the collective responsibility of everyone in football to create a fair, safe and enjoyable environment in which the game can take place. It is the behavioural code for football. Respect is a continuous FA programme, not a one-off initiative. We talk about RESPECT a little further on.

Our key coaching philosophy acts as a guiding principle for the training and development of all of our players. Our philosophy includes:

- To provide age appropriate coaching enabling players to develop technically, physically, psychologically and socially as described in the FA four corners model.
- To create a fun and friendly atmosphere in which players grow a love for the game.
- To promote fair play and team work.
- To provide opportunities for players to experience competitive play in a safe and supportive environment.
- To give positive reinforcement and constructive feedback.
- To demonstrate that making mistakes is not to be feared but an opportunity to learn.
- To build confidence and self-esteem by rewarding effort and ability.
- To be a model of appropriate behaviour.

As your children progress from the early years to adulthood the coaching, formats of the game and style of the game change with them. We have three distinct age ranges in which we will discuss a little further on how we like to approach the game.

Mini Soccer - U6 to U10 Format: development 5 a-side games at U7 and U8, progressing to 7 a-side games for U9 and U10. WWJFC philosophy: these are the formative years and all about fun and enjoyment. We encourage our coaches to use mixed ability teams to ensure that all players get equal game time on the pitch with rotation of positions to enhance player development.

Youth Football - U11 to U16 Format: 9 a-side matches played on larger pitches and goals at U11 to U13 and 11 a-side matches again on even larger pitches for U14 to U16. WWJFC philosophy: whilst the priority is still on enjoyment rather than a win at all costs. The under 11 age group is the main cross over from mini soccer to youth football and hosts both development and competitive games. We encourage our coaches to use mixed ability teams to ensure that all players get equal game time on the pitch with rotation of positions to enhance player development. U11 to U16 at a competitive level the coaches have the flexibility to select their teams and decide on positions of players and game time on the pitch, although it is recognised that all players should have an opportunity to play football. This can happen in a number of ways with additional friendly games being arranged with opposing teams or a manager trying to utilise the squad members to provide playing opportunities. It is at the manager's discretion as to who they select and the positions players play in. Players are still developing physically and mentally and consideration is given to this but it is the coaches who pick the team and respect must be given to their choices.

All of our players are told to play within the laws of the game and to respect the referee's decision at all times. If you wish to know more about the WWJFC Football Philosophy, please contact your age group coach







Important Information

Child Welfare...

Every child or young person who plays or participates in football should be able to take part in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from abuse. This is the responsibility of every adult involved in football, thus every club is required to endorse and adhere to the Football Association's Safeguarding Children Policy.

The club's Child Welfare Officer is: Cheryl Anderson – © 07789 812 704 Imattdcheryla@aol.com Our Safeguarding Children Policy is available on our website – www.wheatley wanderers.co.uk and any concerns regarding child welfare should be directed to the Child Welfare Officer in the first instance.

Membership...

We are dependent on revenue coming in to the Club to ensure we keep going. We attempt to do this in a number of ways, such as fundraising and sponsorship. Unfortunately, this alone is not enough, so we have to charge all players a membership fee. Your memberships helps us to provide you with:

- Wheatley Wanderers Branded Home Kit including our distinctive Amber and Black shirt, shorts and socks.
- Wheatley Wanderers Branded Jacket
- Affiliation to the Sheffield & Hallamshire County FA
- Affiliation to the Doncaster League
- Insurances & Registrations Fees
- Training Facilities & Training Equipment
- Qualified Coaches
- Training & Courses for club members
- Two paid tournaments per year
- End of season presentation with trophy
- Winter Training Contributions

This year's payment of the membership fee can be made as detailed below:

One off payment of £120.00 - to be paid on the signing on day. Two stage payment 1st payment of £60.00 - to be paid on the signing on day. 2nd stage payment of £60.00 - to be paid prior to the season start.

Only once the membership fees are paid in full will the league ID card will be issued to the team manager. All players are required to have an ID card in order to play in the DDJSF league.

For all new players joining the club after the season has started your payment terms will be discussed at the time of registration.

Non Payment of membership fees...

In circumstances where fees have not been paid and there has been no contact with the Team Manager or Committee to discuss, players will be unable to continue training with the club as they will not be covered by the appropriate insurance. Any ID cards issued will be withdrawn.

The Club is keen for all young players to have the opportunity to play football so please speak to us regarding your payment if you need to.







Important Information

What forms do I need to fill in...

Existing Players. On the signing on day both the player and parent/guardian are required to sign the DDJSFL league retention form that is provided by the club. You will also be required to complete the WWJFC Membership form. The player may require their photo taken for the league to update the photo ID Card.

New Players. You will also be required to complete the WWJFC Membership form. Have your photo taken for the league ID card and complete the DDJSFL Player Registration form. You will also be required to provide identification for your child either passport or birth certificate.

Volunteers...

The Club is always looking to encourage volunteers to be part of the Club. Volunteer helpers are vital to the success of the Club – parent and grandparent volunteers currently maintain our club by giving up their time – without these volunteers we wouldn't be able to function.

Parents wishing to become a coach/manager will be supported by the Club's committee. FA Level 1 coaching is a minimum requirement and this is funded by the Club. You will be required to be C.R.C. checked, which again will be funded by the Club. We would also welcome anybody wishing to become a referee, again the Club would support this with the relevant FA courses. A tea stall is available during home games and this is run by volunteers — helping out here is a great way to get involved. Whatever time you can give will be valued greatly.

Health and Safety...

It is important that during training and matches that the player has plenty of fluids — especially in the warmer weather. Sun cream should always be worn during the hot summer weather. Suitable footwear and shin pads must be worn during matches and training. It is the responsibility of the parent to ensure their child has available at all times any inhalers or other prescribed medication that they may require. If your child does have medical needs please speak with your team manager to explain the condition and the needs of the player.

It is part of the Referee's role to inspect footwear, shin pads and jewellery before each and every match. Any player not removing jewellery (including necklaces, rings, bracelets, leather bands and earrings) will not be allowed onto the field of play. Please advise the coach if your child has been suffering with any types of aches and pains before or after the game.

Any player with an injury such as a fracture or similar should take relevant time off training and matches until advised by a doctor that it's OK to resume playing.

Sponsorship...

Any form of sponsorship is greatly appreciated by our teams. Often sponsorships come from companies where the player's parents are either employed or own. It is also a great way to advertise and shows support for young people in sport. If you would like to be a sponsor for the Club please contact us for details.







RESPECT

Respect...

What is Respect?

Respect is the collective responsibility of everyone in football to create a fair, safe and enjoyable environment in which the game can take place. It is the behavioural code for football. Respect is a continuous FA programme, not a one-off initiative.

What do we want to achieve with Respect? 1. There will be a 'step change' in youth football on what is acceptable and unacceptable behaviour from parents, spectators and coaches. 2. We will work with coaches to create an enjoyable learning environment for children's football 3. There will be a base of registered referees in England sufficient for the demands of the game at every level. 4. There will be zero tolerance for assaults on referees. 5. There will be an improvement in on-field player discipline, particularly in the area of dissent to referees and in competitions that have an established record of poor discipline. The most important message of the Respect programme is that real and lasting change will come about not through the intervention of the Football Authorities but from everyone in football taking collective responsibility to promote what is good in the game and deal with that which diminishes it.

How do we achieve respect?

The Respect programme includes four practical steps to improve behaviour: Step 1: Codes of Conduct Step 2: Manage the match day environment Step 3: The captain takes responsibility Step 4: The referee manages the game Step 1: Codes of Conduct Codes of Conduct aren't new and are already in use by some clubs (for example, they are mandatory for Charter Standard Clubs). Some Codes are successful; some are forgotten and simply not acted upon. Respect brings them to life by supporting and strengthening the Codes of Conduct with possible consequences. There is little point in having a set of rules if no action is taken if and when they're broken.

There are Respect Codes of Conduct for: • Young Players • Adult Players • Spectators and Parents/Carers • Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials • Match Officials Each Code explains that actions can be taken if the Code is broken. Although the County FA or The FA will deal with cases of reported misconduct, clubs and leagues also have a role to play in dealing with poor behaviour from players, officials or spectators. This can range from education, mentoring, official warnings, suspension or even exclusion from the club/league. All the Respect Codes of Conduct can be downloaded from www.TheFA.com/Respect Respect works on placing responsibility on individuals for their actions: break your Code, and bear the consequences.

Club Codes of Conduct: Each Respect Code of Conduct explains that action can and will be taken if the Code is broken. Your club has three main responsibilities around the Codes: 1. To ensure everyone within the club (club members), whatever their role, has read, agreed and signed up to their relevant Code – and understands the actions which could be taken if Codes are broken. The inclusion of Codes into the registration process of club members ensures that all playing members can be made aware of their responsibilities at the point of joining the club. 2. To collect and retain the Codes so that they can be referred back to if an individual's behaviour becomes unacceptable 3. To deal fairly and consistently with anyone who breaks 'their' Code.







Football Equipment

Having the appropriate kit for playing football is very important to keep players safe and to ensure that they enjoy the game. We have provided information below about some of the key equipment that you might find useful.

Shin Pads...

Not only is it in the best interests for your health to wear shin pads but, a referee should ensure that all players are wearing them. Members will not be able to train with us or play matches unless they wear shin pads. Shin pads are available in a number of different materials, so it's best to try on a number of pairs to find which feel most comfortable for you.

You should be looking for a shin pad that will give you good protection but not restrict your movement. A particularly popular type is those which loop around under the foot and are then held in place on the upper calf by a velcro strap. These will usually have extra padding around the ankle and Achilles tendon area, which is very beneficial.

Footwear...

There are many different types of boots that can be worn in football. Please ensure that all players have the correct type of footwear for the conditions that they are playing in. Our coaches can help you in selecting the best pair of boots to purchase.

Clothing Match Day Jacket...

Each player will be issued with a Wheatley Wanderers branded waterproof jacket. It is expected that players wear these to all fixtures home and away. A branded additional alternative match day jacket may be issued by your team dependant on team sponsorship.





Match Day Kit...

Each player will be issued with the Wheatley Wanderers club football kit. It is expected that this is clean and be worn at all fixtures home and away. Our distinctive amber and black kit shows the unity and professionalism of the club.

Training Kit...

We do not provide a training kit and we have no preference on the training kit you wear but this must be suitable.

Additional Kit...

We have a range of Wheatley Wanderers branded hoodies, jackets and hats. Please see your coach for further details.

Where the club has supplied kits and jackets these remain the property of Wheatley Wanderers JFC, and are to be handed back if a player chooses to leave the club.







Wheatley Wanderers JFC - Website and Social Media

Our website is www.wheatleywanderers.co.uk. Keep up to date with the latest news, club policies and contacts and much more.



Why not join our Facebook group.





Communication between team members for the use of match times, training and other team matters will be discussed by your team coach. Most teams use a closed Facebook page.





Play your best. Be your best.

Make sure you and everyone around you has a good time on and off the pitch.

Play Your Part (Code of Conduct)

Young Players

Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

When playing football, I will:

- Always play my best for the benefit of the team
- · Play fairly and be friendly
- Play by the rules and respect the Referee
- Shake hands with the other team win or lose
- Listen carefully to what my coach tells me
- Understand that a coach has to do what's best for the team
- Talk to someone I trust or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club
- Encourage my team mates
- Respect the facilities home & away





- Be asked to apologise to whoever I've upset
- Receive a formal warning
- Be dropped, substituted or suspended from training

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whether you win or lose, make it a better game.

Treat your team, other players and Match Officials with respect so that everyone has a more enjoyable time, on and off the pitch.



(Code of Conduct)

Adult Players

Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

On and off the field, I will:

- Stick to the rules and celebrate the spirit of the game
- Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Never engage in public criticism of the Match Officials and abide by their final decisions
- Win or lose with dignity. Shake hands at the end of every game
- Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on others
- Never engage in abusive language, bullying or intimidating behaviour



I may:

- Be asked to apologise to whoever I've upset
- Receive a formal warning
- Be required to attend a FA education course
- Be dropped, substituted or suspended from training
- Not be selected for the team
- Be asked to leave the club and/or issued a fine



set the standards for a great game.

Use your position to set a positive example for the people you're responsible for and lead a better game for everyone.

Play Your Part

(Code of Conduct)

Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials

Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

On and off the field, I will:

- · Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Stick to the rules and celebrate the spirit of the game
- Encourage fair play and high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the Referee and encourage players to do the same
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive behaviour
- Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on others
- · Be gracious in victory and defeat
- Respect the facilities home and away



When working with players, I will:

 Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything

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- · Never tolerate any form of bullying
- Ensure all activities are suited for the players' ability and age
- Work with others (e.g. officials, doctors, welfare officers, physiotherapists) for each player's best interests

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, I may be:

- Required to meet with the club or league Welfare officer or your CFA Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO).
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the County FA
- Required to leave, lose my position and/or have my license withdrawn



make your impact a positive one.

By managing the game in a positive, calm and confident way, you'll encourage everyone to have fun.



Play Your Part

(Code of Conduct)

Match Officials

Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

I will:

- Respect the game, the competition and all other participants
- Maintain my integrity and approach each game with a positive mind set
- Be knowledgeable of the laws of the game, regulations and competition rules
- Set a positive personal example, by promoting good behaviour
- Embrace and empathise with the spirit of the game
- Submit accurate and concise reports and misconduct
- Complete and submit accurate and concise reports
- Apply the laws of the game, promoting positive actions and not tolerating actions that do not fit the image of the game

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, I may be:

- Required to meet with The FA, County FA Referee Development Staff or Referees Committee
- Suspended by the County FA



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If we behave positively during practice and matches, our children will too.

By setting a good example, we'll help build a supportive environment in which everyone can enjoy themselves.



(Code of Conduct)

Spectators and Parents/Carers

Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

- Have fun; it's what we're all here for!
- Celebrate effort and good play from both sides
- Always respect the Referee and coaches and encourage players to do the same
- Stay behind the touchline and within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided)
- When players make mistakes, offer them encouragement to try again next time
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, I may be:

- Issued with a verbal warning or asked to leave
- Required to meet with the club committee, league or CFA Welfare Officer
- · Obliged to undertake an FA education course
- Requested not to attend future games, be suspended or have my membership removed
- Required to leave the club along with any dependents and/or issued a fine



