

## Message from Tadcaster Hockey Club

Hockey season is about to start a new season and here at Tadcaster we are trying to build on the great turnout for our junior training last season and expand our junior section. Junior training at Tadcaster Hockey Club will start on Wednesday 20th September 2023 at Tadcaster Grammar School from 6 until 7pm, which covers players from ages 5 up to 16, split by ages for training purposes.

We shall be running this session continuously bar a week off for half term at the start of November. This session is once more charged at £30 per child for the period up to Christmas. There is a £5 discount for siblings down to a minimum payment of £20, e.g. first child pays £30, second child pays £25, and any child thereafter pays £20.

Sticks can be provided, however we recommend hockey shinpads (football shinpads at a push, but hockey shinpads offer better protection for ankles), astroturf boots; note not studded football boots as these are not allowed on the pitch, although trainers may be sufficient, and a gum shield. Please ask for advice on purchases if you feel unsure before buying, better to ask and buy the correct thing than not and get the incorrect thing.

Club kit is not required for training and unlikely to be in the future. Games against other clubs will be different, and we may be looking to provide a kit on the day for such events, although we would be interested to hear if anyone knows of companies/people who would be interested in sponsoring our juniors to assist in the purchase of kit.

Please can you complete the Google Form [here](#) to indicate your intention to send your child to Junior Training. The returns from these forms will be used for email distribution regarding future club events and for sending bank and payment details for the sessions once received.

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Thank you  
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Tadcaster Hockey Club