



October 2023 Newsletter

Fixtures

These are now available on the Flames website:

<https://flamesnetball.co.uk/about/league-fixtures>

Please note the dates in your diaries. The squads in each age group are quite large this year as unfortunately we did not have enough players to make 2 teams in any category. This will inevitably mean that some players do not play every match, but we will be rotating players fairly so that everyone gets an equal opportunity to play at Dawley. This situation may change after Christmas as new players are joining us regularly.

If you know that you cannot make a particular date in advance of the match, please let us know by EMAILING us at hello@flamesnetball.co.uk so that we can prioritise you for matches you can play.

If you have agreed to play in a match, please use the WhatsApp group to let us know if something changes.

Netball Ready for Matches and Training

Please read through the [League Match guidance](#), and don't hesitate to ask one of the coaches or email if you have any questions.

Please ensure you arrive 'ready to play' ie:

- All jewellery must be removed, including earrings, necklaces, watches and other wrist devices;
- Hair should be tied back
- Nails should be kept short. As a guideline, nails should be no longer than 1mm long and should not be visible over your fingertips. Coaches and umpires check the nails of all players before training sessions and games and if they are too long, players will not be permitted to play until they are cut or filed down. This is to protect other players from injury.

NetballHer Kit

As part of the Netballher initiative from Netball England (details can be found here <https://www.EnglandNetball.co.uk/support/netballher>) all our kit bags now include a 'Caught Short Kit' which will be restocked as required with sanitary towels etc. Our kit bags always come to training sessions and matches and the girls do not need to ask us to access it. Please communicate this to your daughter and also take a look at the



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website as there is some really useful information on many topics there and free to access.

Team Names


Following on from Presentation Evening in June, we have changed the names of all our teams this season. We hope you like the new names and thanks once again to the players who suggested them!

WhatsApp Groups

We would like to remind everyone that these groups are for match use only to establish availability of players for matches, give timings etc. Please do not use them for any other purpose as the coaches use their private phones for these messages and they often 'ping' even when the club does not have matches!! Thank you!

ENgage & Bank Payments

Thank you to everyone who has made these payments. As you can see from the England Netball snip below, we are brilliant at profile completion in 2 out of 3 of the categories – well done and thank you!

U18 Member Safeguards		
U18s without a parental link	0 out of 46 0% missing	
U18s without email addresses	30 out of 46 65.22% missing	
Parental records without email addresses	0 out of 46 0% missing	

Please can I ask you to take a look at your child's profile and fill in that gap? Without this email address your child will not receive the quarterly magazine from England Netball and also discounts on kit, equipment etc. It can be your email address; it doesn't have to be a separate one.