



INTRODUCTION FOR PARENTS

- **Aims**

Wargrave Girls Football Club aims to create a friendly environment for girls between the ages of 6 and 18 who want to play and develop their football skills. The main objective is for girls to enjoy their football, although we do also encourage healthy competition.

- **What we do**

We hold training sessions on Saturday mornings at the Wargrave Recreation Ground. Girls arrive at 9.15am, giving time for registration before the session which runs from 9.30am to 11am.

There is an annual subscription to cover costs, tournaments or match fees. However, if you prefer to pay per session for a trial period we would ask for a £3 contribution. Our facilities include mini goals, footballs, bibs, training aids and a first aid kit.

The official club kit comprises of a light blue top, navy shorts and light blue socks.

We currently have 4 qualified coaches at *Level 1 Certificate in Coaching Football*. This qualification also incorporates an *Emergency Aid Certificate*. Coaches are police checked for their suitability for working with young people and our Child Protection and Equity Policies are attached.

The club is affiliated to the Berks & Bucks Football Association, with our club rules attached.

- **How parents can help**

We would like you to be actively involved with the club, supporting your daughter. This can include helping with travel arrangements, registration, kit, as well as supporting from the touchline whether on a training session or at fixtures.

We believe that it is really important for everyone associated with football to set a good example, since the game influences our young people and can develop good sportsmanly conduct and a sense of fair play. It is everyone's responsibility to do this, which is why we have drawn up a code of conduct which includes coaches, managers, parents and supporters. Please have a look at this, and in particular the code of conduct for parents.

It will help the smooth running of the club if you could please follow some practical 'do's':

- Make arrangements for your child to travel to and from training sessions and matches.
- Provide a drink for the training session.
- Ensure that girls arrive promptly and are collected at the end of the session, if they are not making their own way home. If you are going to be late picking your child up please let one of the coaches know.
- Complete the club registration form. This is for the safety of your child since it is important that we are aware of any medical condition, allergies or medication should your child fall ill or be involved in an accident during training or matches. It is also important that we have a telephone number so that we can contact you in an emergency.
- Ensure that your child is appropriately dressed for the weather conditions. Coaches may have to ask that a child does not participate in a training session or match if they feel that she is not appropriately dressed or unfit to play.