



Inside Kingshurst

Summer Football Camp Opportunities

As the summer holiday approaches a number of different options present themselves from a perspective of football coaching. Please find details regarding opportunities with BCFC and Vision For All on the following pages, with date and venue information.

BCFC – [CLICK HERE](#)

Vision For All – [CLICK HERE](#)

Working 9 to 5

Similar to Dolly Parton's classic, we are confident that there were lots of Year 10s and Year 12s 'tumbling out of bed and stumbling to the kitchen to pour themselves a cup of ambition before yawning and stretching and trying to come to life' as they prepared for each of their days of work experience!



This has been the first cohort since covid (!) who have been able to engage with this rights-of-passage opportunity to obtain an insight within a field of expertise or interest that they may want to pursue as part of their own careers aspiration.

The employers and businesses have been extremely generous in accommodating our students and reflect a massive range of interests of our students that have seen them complete placements with organisations from an alpaca farm to a children's nursery!

Our students have once again, been a credit to us whilst representing themselves in the community and have earned some of the following feedback that it gives us great pleasure to share:

- "He's the best work experience student I have ever had - he just gets-it"
- "Is a pleasure to have, one of the best work experience students we have ever had. She is here before me every morning, she thinks ahead, I'm about to ask her to do something - its already done, it's like having another member of staff in the room."
- "Is in early, comes in with a smile on her face and really Gets stuck in with the children, she's a pleasure to have"



Sports Day Arrangements

This year, each year group will have a full day of Sports activities, that has been specially organized to take place in a range of places indoors and outdoors in order to accommodate for the current weather conditions.

The days for each year group are below:

- Monday: Year 9
- Tuesday: Year 8
- Wednesday: Year 7
- Thursday: Year 10

On these days only, students will be expected to attend in their normal PE kit (that echoes the same standards advised for that of the hot weather days where PE kit has been permitted).

Changes to Free School Meals

Please refer to the following link to a detailed letter on the academy website outlining the changes to Free School Meal (FSM) eligibility from September. [CLICK HERE](#)

Artificial Intelligence (AI) Information and Guidance

AI is being used to turn ordinary photos of children into sexual abuse material. The National Crime Agency and Internet Watch Foundation have issued new guidance to help parents make informed choices about sharing images of their children online. It covers reviewing privacy settings, revisiting consent with your child as they grow, and what to do if you're worried.

The parent's guidance can be found here:

<https://www.iwf.org.uk/resources/ai-child-abuse-imagery-parent-guide/>

Great British Summer Savings

[CLICK HERE](#) for info on the Government-backed scheme.

A National College information sheet on Generative AI Safety can be found in the newsletter by [clicking here](#).

What Parents & Educators Need to Know about GENERATIVE AI SAFETY

Generative AI tools – such as ChatGPT – are now commonly used by children. In fact, 3 in 4 pupils in the 2024 Annual Literacy Survey reported using generative AI, up from just 2 in 5 the previous year. While these tools can boost learning and creativity, they also raise concerns around misinformation, privacy and overuse. This guide explores the key risks and how to support safe use.

WHAT ARE THE RISKS?

MISINFORMATION AND ACCURACY



Generative AI can sometimes produce false or misleading content. Children – and even adults – may assume the information is accurate and trustworthy. This can affect learning and understanding of important topics. It's vital to teach children to critically assess all information, even when it comes from AI.

EXPOSURE TO INAPPROPRIATE CONTENT

Because generative AI is trained on vast datasets from across the internet, there is a chance it may occasionally generate harmful or inappropriate content. Without supervision, children could encounter disturbing or unsuitable material. Active monitoring and clear usage boundaries can help reduce this risk.

PRIVACY AND DATA SECURITY

Some AI tools ask for personal details or store users' interactions. If privacy settings are not correctly configured, children's personal data could be exposed or misused. Teaching good digital hygiene and setting strong privacy controls is essential for protecting children online.

REDUCED CRITICAL THINKING



Relying too heavily on AI-generated responses may reduce children's willingness to think independently. If they consistently use AI to solve problems or complete tasks, it could impact their ability to reason, analyse and form their own ideas. Encouraging thoughtful reflection is key.

DIGITAL DEPENDENCY



Regular use of generative AI can contribute to increased screen time and less real-world interaction. If left unmanaged, it may affect physical activity levels, sleep, and social development. Striking a healthy balance between online and offline activities is important for wellbeing.

UNCLEAR ETHICAL BOUNDARIES



Children may not fully understand the ethical implications of using AI to complete homework or creative tasks. This can lead to unintentional plagiarism or dishonest academic practices. Conversations around responsible use and academic honesty are crucial.

Advice for Parents & Educators

ESTABLISH CLEAR GUIDELINES

Set clear, age-appropriate rules for when and how generative AI can be used. Reinforce these regularly to help children develop a healthy, respectful and informed relationship with the technology.



ENCOURAGE CRITICAL EVALUATION

Help children to question the accuracy of AI-generated information and seek out additional trusted sources. This builds essential digital literacy skills and supports better decision-making.



PROMOTE ACTIVE SUPERVISION

Keep an eye on how the children in your care use AI tools. Check in regularly to ensure they're using them appropriately and be ready to step in if something doesn't feel right.



ENHANCE PRIVACY AWARENESS

Talk to children about the importance of keeping personal information private. Make sure privacy settings are in place and explain how data shared with AI tools could be used.



Meet Our Expert

Brandon O'Keefe, Deputy Headmaster and Director of Digital Strategy at Eaton House Schools, has extensive expertise in digital safety, safeguarding, and generative AI in education. As an author and speaker on digital literacy and online safety for institutions such as The National College, Brendan guides parents and educators in creating safe digital learning environments.



July 2026

Dear Parent/Guardian/Carer,

We are delighted to announce that we have received funding from the Department for Education and Solihull Metropolitan Borough Council to deliver the holiday, activities & food programme this Summer 2026. We are able to offer a limited number of free spaces on our football camps that the Birmingham City FC Foundation will be operating this Summer. In order to be eligible to express an interest to attend:

- The child is eligible for benefits-related free school meals and
- The child has to attend a Solihull school, or the child has to live in the Solihull Borough

Summer Football Camps

Please find below details of our two Summer Football Camps 2026 that free spaces are available at:

Tudor Grange Academy Kingshurst

Who: Children aged between 12-14 years

When: Camp will run

Tuesday 21st – Friday 24th July

Monday 27th – Friday 31st July

Monday 3rd – Friday 7th August

Time: 9am-3pm

Where: Tudor Grange Academy Kingshurst, Cooks Ln, Fordbridge, Birmingham, B37 6NU

Langley Secondary School

Who: Children aged between 8-12 years

When: Camp will run

Tuesday 21st – Friday 24th July

Monday 27th – Friday 31st July

Monday 3rd – Friday 7th August

Time: 9am-3pm

Where: Langley Secondary School, Kinton Green Road, Solihull, B92 7ER

Our football camps will be delivered by Male and Female, UEFA qualified foundation staff who have a wealth of experience across various levels and roles within football. The camp will consist of various football related activities including skills focus and small sided games and competitions.

Next steps and to register

Places are limited and a waiting list will be created if we are oversubscribed. Please email Chantel Hunter – chantel.hunter@bcfc.com to confirm you meet the eligibility criteria, and an online registration form will be sent to you to complete and further details provided.



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FREE FOOTBALL CAMP

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THIS SUMMER 2026

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MON - THURS
AUGUST

WEEK 1
3RD - 6TH

WEEK 2
10TH - 13TH

WEEK 3
17TH - 20TH

WEEK 4
24TH - 27TH



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Great British Summer Savings

Rising prices can make life's little treats harder to afford, especially during the school holidays when costs build up for families. This Government is determined to help, and that is why last month the Chancellor announced the *Great British Summer Savings* scheme.

From 25 June to 1 September 2026, the Government is temporarily cutting VAT from 20% to 5% on children's meals in restaurants, children and family tickets to cinemas, theatres, concerts and exhibitions, and admission to a wide range of attractions. Combined with free bus travel during August for children aged 5 to 15 in England, families and young people will be able to enjoy experiences that make summer special, including visits to the kinds of cultural and educational attractions that enrich children's lives outside the classroom.

The public are ready to get behind the scheme and are keen to take advantage of the discounts available. As trusted pillars of their communities, schools play a vital role in connecting families with important information.

We need you to help spread the word. So please share details of the *Great British Summer Savings* scheme through your newsletters, school apps, and other communications to parents and carers, so that the families in your school community know about the experiences they can enjoy this summer for less.

This forms part of a broader effort by the Government to ease financial pressures on families. From ending the two-child limit and expanding free school meals, to rolling out free breakfast clubs and delivering 30 hours of free childcare, this Government is taking action to put more money back into parents' pockets and give every child the best possible start in life.

As part of this campaign, we have launched an **attraction finder** website which allows families to type in their postcode and find participating venues near them to make the most of summer savings. To use the attraction finder, please visit <https://summersavings.gov.uk>.

Click here to go to the website:

<https://news.service.education.gov.uk/9D49BD1A826F6A14FA56AF38D466C3737662B153E6B3B6C0C3F479665F818175/0324CED3DB1EEC88AC04F71EBD5FD0F0/LE35>