

# Estudiantes Annual Report 2023-2024

## Foreword by David Lammy

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# Foreword

by **David Lammy, The Rt Hon MP for Tottenham**

**Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs**

Football, for me, is one of the great unifiers. From the local cages, training grounds and 5-a-side venues dotted across our city to the chatter of classrooms, offices, and boardrooms all over the country, the love for the game cuts across every layer of society. It is something that offers so much to so many - regardless of class, ethnicity, and nationality.

Being a lifelong Tottenham fan, I have seen firsthand the enormous social and cultural value that football provides. Watching Spurs with my father, back in the 80s, gave me the feeling of excitement and exhilaration that every kid craved. As a young black boy, football allowed me to connect with people I might not have otherwise met, and to witness the love of the club and what it meant to the people of Tottenham. These were beautiful reminders of a game and culture with an almost religious level of importance.

Estudiantes' rise in the community is a story of the power of sport and its ability to unite, not divide. Having served as the MP for Tottenham since 2000, and as someone who grew up in this part of town, I know how vital grassroots organisations are for local people. I have seen their importance time and time again. Not every child has the privilege of a secure family background where opportunities arise readily and networks are built with ease. Many grow up in hardship, many have to work for those connections, and many grow up without the right qualifications.

Against a backdrop of austerity, a global pandemic and a cost-of-living crisis, the extent to which Estudiantes has served to bridge these gaps is remarkable. As a multi-sport, educational organisation, it offers our younger generation the chance not just to play, but to excel personally. A business model that takes the energy and passion of sport - from badminton to table tennis - and channels it for the benefit of hundreds and hundreds of our young people is one we have to get behind.

I said back in 2023 that the club was a beacon of light in our borough and that it should be celebrated. This annual report is a chance to do just that. Their recent tour of Northern Europe is a sign of things to come, and as the team continues to earn awards for their work, let's make sure they don't stop there. Let's make sure they get their minibus so that more people can benefit from their courses, and let's make sure grassroots sport is on the up in North London.

The Rt Hon Mr David Lammy,  
Labour MP for Tottenham



The average academic attendance of our participants in 2023/2024 was

**94.2%**

This is a rise of 19% (compared to when we started the club)



Estudiantes were voted  
Amateur FA Club of the Year in 2023



# Summary of our year

Thank you to all those who have helped to build Estudiantes over the last 6 years. We proudly offer inclusive, high quality and free sports provision in Tottenham to encourage students to excel in their education. The average academic attendance of our participants was over 94% for the second successive year.

Thank you to Haringey 6th form College who continue to provide a wonderful and welcoming home for our club in the heart of Tottenham. We are indebted to all those who fund the club, including our principal funders for supporting our various clubs this year; Tottenham Grammar School Foundation (Football and Badminton), Sport England (Table Tennis) and The Hargreaves Foundation (Futsal).

Diversifying and improving our provision beyond football and futsal was identified as the key target in our 2022/23 annual report. With the introduction of Cricket, Badminton and Table tennis, we have been able to deliver that and it's led to participation in sport at the club more than trebling this year. From a combined total 3450 hours last year to 10,914 hours in 2023/2024.

We are proud to see young leaders emerge at the club. Levin Dookhun, Jayden Clifford Hamilton and Jeremy Jonata Suhardi all won county FA awards for their efforts. Levin also won the Joel Richards Inspire award to become the Football Association's Young Volunteer of the year across England in 2023. A phenomenal achievement.

Resulting from our London Youth and CVC sponsored employability project in 2022, Jayden and Sydnee Geoghegan have created a wonderful free youth football, multisport, and homework club for children aged 8-12. Our co-founder Marcus' original idea was for the club to be student led and we are proud to be moving towards that.

Our conversion to become a Charity Incorporated Organisation was made possible thanks to the incredible and ongoing support of Derek May of Sported. Alongside Maria Betancourt who helped us achieve the London Youth Bronze Mark, both have been instrumental in solidifying the infrastructure of the club. Thank you to both for their help to run the club.

## **FUTURE PLANS**

We are determined to ensure we continue to be an impactful club for young people. Where possible we will further expand our provision to include new sports and age groups, always ensuring we continue to use our existing methodology to encourage and reward excellence.

With transport costs increasing and 22% of our expenditure, one of our main aspirations for the coming year is to own a minibus. This would open up so many incredible opportunities for our young people. We would be delighted to hear from anyone who could help us achieve this!

We are truly honoured that The Rt Hon David Lammy, MP for Tottenham, and Foreign Secretary of the United Kingdom has written the foreword for our annual report.

Thank you for the interest in our club and we hope you enjoy the report.

Darren Wiltshire - Co-Founder of Estudiantes



# Vision, Mission, and Methodology

## VISION

To drive excellence using the power of sport.

## MISSION

To encourage, recognise and reward excellence from young people

## METHODOLOGY

Participation in our free, inclusive and high quality sports provision is conditional upon students showing the correct attitude and attendance in their study programmes



# Programme Overview

**On the condition students show an excellent attitude to their education and meet certain attendance thresholds, we provide free access to**

- An Inclusion Football League affiliated to the London FA
- A Badminton club with regular training and matches
- A Table Tennis club with regular training and matches
- A Futsal club with regular training and League matches
- A Cricket club with coaching provided by Middlesex County Cricket Club
- UEFA Qualified Coaching as part of our Elite Football Team
- A development football team that competes in a Saturday football league
- Coaching and officiating courses
- A youth football club for children aged 8-12
- An employability project for coaches to gain qualifications and work experience.

## **PARTICIPANTS**

94.2% - Average attendance of participating students in 2023/2024

74% of students said being a part of Estudiantes had improved their attendance

82% of students said being a part of Estudiantes had improved their attitude to their studies

51% of our students moved to the UK in the last five years

87% of our students are from BAME backgrounds

61% of our students are studying for a BTEC

## **SPORTS**

253 young people taken part in three or more sport sessions

87 students attended over 40 training sessions.

The club have taken part in 133 matches across all sports

The North London Inclusion league provided opportunities for over 50 people.

Table Tennis was the most popular sport this year.

243 students represented Estudiantes this year



# Education First

Average academic Attendance is at 94%

(+19%)

\*Attendance of our participants in their education is 19% higher compared to when we started the club



## AVERAGE ATTENDANCE IN COLLEGE BY CLUB

1ST INCLUSION (96.4%)

2ND CRICKET (95.9%)

3RD BADMINTON (95.8%)

4TH TABLE TENNIS (94.75%)

5TH ELITE FOOTBALL (94.2%)

6TH CLUB FOOTBALL (93.0%)

7TH DEVELOPMENT FOOTBALL (90.8%)

8TH FUTSAL (87.0%)

Our average academic attendance has remained at over 94% this year. This comes at a time when increased truancy is a pressing concern within education. Government figures show, more than one in five children in England are now classed as persistently absent from school, before the pandemic, the figure was one in 10.

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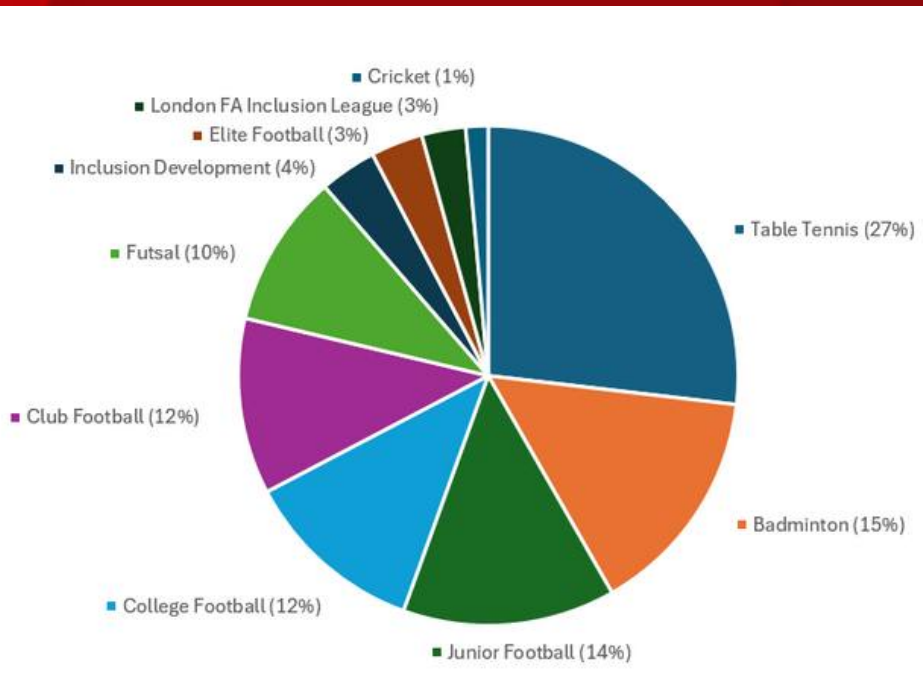
## London truancy figures 'insane' as up to a quarter of teenagers regularly skip school

Education leaders have called for schools to re-think the way they tackle persistent absence



# A Year in Numbers

## 10,915 HOURS OF SPORT PLAYED



CLUB	COMBINED MINUTES	%
College Football	77300	11.80%
Elite Football	22105	3.38%
Badminton	97600	14.90%
Table Tennis	175800	26.84%
Cricket	9480	1.45%
Inclusion Dev 5v5	24120	3.68%
London FA Inclusion	18600	2.84%
Club Football	74600	11.39%
Futsal	65150	9.95%
Junior Football	90120	13.76%

TOTAL NUMBER OF MINUTES OF SPORT PLAYED IN 2023/2024 **654875**

### NUMBER OF PLAYERS IN EACH CLUB (5 OR MORE SESSIONS)

CLUB	NUMBER OF PLAYERS
College Football	55
Elite Football	87
Badminton	43
Table Tennis	34
Cricket	28
Inclusion Dev Football	24
London FA Inclusion	51
Club Football	59
Futsal	54
Junior Football	55

NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO TOOK PART IN 5 OR MORE SPORTS SESSIONS IN 2023/2024

**263**

**133**

TOTAL SPORTS MATCHES IN 2023/2024

TOTAL TRAINING SESSIONS IN 2023/2024

**443**

**243**

TOTAL NUMBER OF STUDENTS WHO REPRESENTED THE CLUB IN 2023/2024

**74% of our students said being a part of Estudiantes had improved their attendance in their studies**

*Estudiantes follows our data collection policy around how we collect, store and manage data, ensuring data accuracy and data minimalization.*

# Review of the year

We are proud to continue to provide free, high quality and inclusive sports provision to young people in London. Based in Tottenham, we are proud that our club, our staff and participants reflect the brilliant diversity of London.

We are truly thankful to those who have supported the club since we started, with Haringey 6th Form College continuing to provide a wonderful home for our club to operate.

We believe strongly in our methodology. Despite us trebling the number of students we work with, the average student attendance average has been over 94%.

2023/2024 has been an exceptional year, and it is only in writing this report, that we can reflect on what has been achieved.

We are proud to be an inclusive club, and try to provide opportunities at all levels for all young people.

Our inclusion team continue to compete in the London FA North East London Inclusion League, a competition that we founded in 2022. It provides structured and organised football for over 60 people in North London with Special Educational Needs. We are proud that young leaders from within the club like Djibril Diallo and Clerys Luka, facilitate and referee the league competition. Our own team finally won their first trophy at the Spurs Foundation Summer Series. Jude Geoghegan (pictured below with the trophy) is mainstay of the inclusion team for 3 years, has proactively created an additional SEN inclusion league at Haringey 6th Form college, in which over 20 young people take part with great enthusiasm.





In attempting to diversify our offering, provide opportunities for those who do not like play football, and to truly become 'a sports club', we have extended our provision to include Badminton, Cricket and Table Tennis this year.

In Cricket, we have been thankful for help from Middlesex County Cricket Club to deliver a truly outstanding weekly club for young people. Thank you to Mikey Thompson and his team of coaches. Though the club our Cricketer of the Year Terrell Newsome has gained a full time internship with the ECB based at Lord's Cricket Ground. Terrell is pictured with Dharani Tyagi from Middlesex Cricket Club and Ledley King.

Our Badminton club, which has been kindly supported by Tottenham Grammar School Foundation has proved incredibly popular with young people. Over 50 young people have taken part in badminton at least once a week, with over 20 young people playing three times a week through the year. Fixtures have been organised, with our plan to create a more extensive league very much on course for next season. David Kaplan from Tottenham Grammar School Foundation is pictured with our player of the year Nabila, alongside Ledley King.



In Table Tennis, we have seen young people playing consistently through the academic year, inspired by the most amazing coach Derek Brown (far left). Derek is a coach from Haringey Sports Development Trust where the inspirational Burk Gravis does so much to support sport in the local area. Thank you to both for their help to increase participation at the club.

Similarly to badminton, we have seen a great number of girls take part in sport at the club for the first time. The improvement in the level of all players has been incredible and seeing the dedication of so many players has been beyond expectations when we secured funding from Sport England. Thank you to Sport England for supporting the development of our club. Our player of the year was Dimitri Simeonov (pictured centre)

In both Badminton and Table Tennis, the impact of Jeremy Jonata Suhardi has been significant. Jeremy joined as an intern for one year from Loughborough University. Jeremy has also led much of the futsal and football provision this year. An extremely well educated, socially intelligent, kind and caring young person, Jeremy has been able to create positive relationships with everyone at the club. He has been a truly superb role model for our students. Jeremy has consistently shown a humility to complete the various tasks of running sports teams, challenging himself to coach players of all levels. Jeremy will return to Loughborough University for the final year of his degree, but we hope his journey with Estudiantes will continue in some way in the future. We are delighted that Jeremy's work was recognised by the Amateur FA with him winning the New Volunteer of the Year award.

Jeremy is one of a number of people who have dedicated huge amounts of time to develop the club and opportunities for students.

Maria Betancourt's incredible work helped us achieve the London Youth Bronze Mark, which involved creating, developing, and updating an incredibly long and exhaustive list of documents and procedures. Achieving this award is usually reserved for far larger organisations and demonstrates our commitment to delivering high quality services.

In late August, in an attempt to make our club more sustainable we converted from a Community Interest Company to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation. This was a huge amount of work, of which Derek May guided us through the process. Through Sported's management volunteer program, Derek has made a truly remarkable contribution to make our organisation sustainable, not least in helping us secure funding to run various programs.



Our employability programme continues to gain momentum. Thanks to the support of London Youth and CVC Capital partners we have been able to provide opportunities for over 60 young people to complete FA qualifications in recent years. Alongside over 40 referees (from projects in 2021 and 2023) our coach education project in 2022 has delivered fantastic outcomes.



Initially led by outstanding young leaders Jayden Clifford Hamilton and Sydnee Geoghegan, we were able to create a free football school for children in the area. Together they created a brilliant safe inclusive and positive club for young people that included football coaching and a homework club. In one of our best ever outcomes, In October 2023, Sydnee was able to secure a brilliant full-time coaching job with Tottenham Hotspur Foundation.



Jayden has continued to build our youth club, with 48 young people taking part every week. Jayden delivers truly fantastic coaching, utilising the knowledge he is gaining from his degree in sports coaching at the University of East London. Jayden has contributed to the development of individuals at the club for three years, and is now mentoring other coaches within the club. As if that is not enough, Jayden has been able to secure a brilliant full time job as a PE Teacher at Devonshire Primary School.



The whole club were proud that Jayden was awarded the Amateur FA Coach of the year (male pathway) in 2023/2024. A phenomenal achievement for a young person of his age.



Following an incredibly positive 2022/2023 season when our team competed with the very best teams in England, finishing 2nd in Tier 2 of Senior English futsal, this season saw us relying on a younger squad, giving opportunities to young players in Tier 3. Working alongside Jeremy Jonata, Owen Locke kindly agreed to return to the club to lead coaching at the club, and together they led the team brilliantly.

Half way through the season, we were delighted to be able to welcome Ivan Dju to our club as head futsal coach. Widely regarded as one of the best ever futsal players in England, Dju captained Helvecia in the UEFA Champions League as recently as 2022. It has been absolutely incredible to see Dju lead the team. Whilst performances and results have improved significantly, the most important impact has been the sportsmanship with which the team has consistently demonstrated since his Dju's arrival.



In football, we provide 4 different teams for players of different abilities, as well as our junior team. In total over 140 people have represented the football club this season. Many of our inclusion team have gained enough confidence and experience to now become a part of the after college football team. Participation is, as always, dependent on students showing a great commitment to their education. The most committed of the players are forwarded to become a part of the Saturday football club who compete in the local Senior league. We are extremely thankful to Tottenham Grammar School Foundation for supporting much of our football club's provision this year.



One highlight of the year was having the opportunity to host the world-famous Universities of Oxford and Cambridge for a three team football tournament at the Tottenham Hotspur training ground, widely considered as the best football training ground in the world. We are thankful to John Bevan at Haringey Council and David Knowles at Tottenham for helping to organise this incredible day. The University of Cambridge went home victorious after winning the inaugural Estudiantes Cup.

With so many of our better footballers progressing into higher leagues, in late September it was decided we would expand to include a new Elite team, which would bring together our best ever student athletes for games intermittently through the year. The team were coached by Uefa A Licenced coach Maz Karim. A fantastic opportunity for players and coaches at our club to learn from an elite level coach. Thank you to Maz for helping the club. With 7 games against professional football teams, it's been a great addition to our club. In our best result to date we travelled north to play Sheffield Wednesday u18s and came away victorious by 3 goals to nil. The team are pictured below. At least Vali, Jeremy and Mo smiled!



In May 2024, in our biggest project to date, we were able to organise a football tour to play three outstanding academies in Northern Europe. We competed against the champions of the Netherlands PSV Eindhoven, 10 times champions of Belgium Standard Liege and renowned Belgium top division club V.A Beerschot. Jeremy's relentless work helped us to organise the trip, and we were able to take 21 outstanding student athletes on the tour as a reward for their excellence in recent years. Despite a 3-2 defeat, seeing our club compete against PSV Eindhoven at their world famous training ground, was an incredible moment that we will remember for many years. We are extremely thankful to Haringey 6th Form College who very kindly sponsored the trip.



### THANK YOU DAVID LAMMY

We would like to say thank you to David Lammy, Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs, Olly Davis and Nick Hodges for their support to help some of our students secure the required visas for our trip to Europe.



Another of the highlights of the year was welcoming Tottenham Hotspur legend Ledley King to our awards night. It was an evening to recognise the achievements of our students in Education and Sport. It was especially pleased to see many of our graduates returning to support our current students.



We have been delighted to see the growth of the club this year, but more importantly seeing students achieve excellence and progress along positive pathways has been extremely satisfying.



We are extremely proud that our graduates Tenzin Dhongak, Isam Belmoudden, Omar Setti and Fabio Teixeira have now completed their degrees at Loughborough. A significant achievement for each of them. Fabio, who has just won the National futsal championship for the second time, has returned to coach our football team.



# Employability



Our first employability project was supported by Tottenham Grammar School Foundation in 2019. It provided 20 young people with a chance to become an FA Qualified Coach. One of the 20 participants was Levin Dookhun who is now employed full time at his former school. In 2023, Levin won the Joel Richards Inspire award for the FA's Young volunteer of the year in England.



LondonFA

Since then, we have been thankful for the support of London Youth and CVC to run summer employability programs. In 2021 and 2023 we ran FA referee courses, for 40 participants. It led to amazing outcomes for many of the participation, with over 50% moving into paid work within 1 month. One of the beneficiaries was Eesa Sayed who said:

***"After being given the opportunity at Estudiantes to complete the referee course at Haringey Sixth Form whilst still playing for the football club, I gained an insight into the skills and qualities needed to officiate a football match. The course itself was interesting and enjoyable and after successfully qualifying as a FA Level Referee I have developed many skills. I am now a regular referee at Arsenal Academy as well as a referee for Charlton Athletic. Being surrounded in a professional environment to officiate a sport that I am passionate about whilst, simultaneously, earning a monetary income has allowed me to enjoy my role as a referee.***



***Now, as I go into university holding these qualifications, it will allow me to pursue extra-curricular activities whilst studying my undergraduate course. I would like to thank Estudiantes for the opportunity and Jamal and Ali for the mentoring throughout the course."***

CVC

Capital Partners



Perhaps our most impactful and significant employability project was in the summer of 2023, again sponsored by London Youth and CVC Capital Partners. Participants were provided with an opportunity to take their level 1 in football coaching, alongside gaining work experience as they worked together to create a student led football school. Jayden Clifford Hamilton and Sydnee Geoghegan took a lead and soon created a free football school for young children based at Haringey 6th Form College.

The football school is now a thriving youth club, that provides mentoring, multisports and homework club, alongside high level football training. Such has been the enthusiasm and development of the children, coach Jayden has been successful in applying for a place for the team to compete in the highly respected Echo League for 2024/2025. We are extremely thankful to Haringey 6th form college for supporting the initiative that now sees more young coaches involved, gaining skills, qualifications and most important confidence.

Robert Dillon (pictured on the right), an FA coach mentor, is kindly helping all of the coaches through their FA coaching badges. Sydnee was able to secure a full time coaching role with Tottenham Hotspur, and Jayden combines his coaching at Estudiantes, studying for his degree with a recently secured full time job teaching P.E at a local primary school. Amazing!



# Success Stories

## Jeremy Jonata Suhardi

- Amateur FA New Volunteer of the Year
- Incredible impact on the club and students
- Significant Personal and Professional Development



**AMATEUR FA  
NEW VOLUNTEER OF  
THE YEAR 2023/24**



# Success Stories

## Idris Affinih

- 99% attendance at college, successfully completing Level 3 Year 1
- Successfully combined studies with employment
- Outstanding performances for football and table tennis team



**HARINGEY  
SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

SUCCESS AMBITION RESILIENCE

**99% ATTENDANCE IN COLLEGE  
OUTSTANDING FEEDBACK  
FROM TEACHERS**



# Success Stories

# Jayden Clifford Hamilton

- Awarded Amateur FA Coach of the Year
- Gained full time employment alongside University
- Created an outstanding sports and homework club for children



**AMATUER FA  
COACH OF THE YEAR 2023/24  
(MALE PATHWAY)**

# Success Stories

## Terrell Newsome

- Gained full time job with English Cricket Board
- Outstanding year in Education with 97% attendance
- Highest participation in sport (football, cricket, badminton)



FULL TIME JOB WITH  
ENGLISH CRICKET BOARD

# Success Stories

## Jude Geoghegan

- Successfully completed year in college with 97% attendance
- Proactively created a new inclusion football league
- Outstanding contribution to Sport award at Haringey 6th Form



**HARINGEY  
SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**

SUCCESS AMBITION RESILIENCE

**HARINGEY 6TH FORM  
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION  
TO SPORT**



# Success Stories

## Sydnee Geoghegan

- Secured full time work at Tottenham Hotspur Foundation
- Key part of our employability project in the summer of 2023
- Helped to create our thriving football school for children



**SECURED FULL TIME COACHING  
JOB WITH TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR  
FOUNDATION**

# Success Stories

## Ashwin Suma Suraj

- Named Student of the year at Haringey 6th Form College
- Successfully led Badminton club for over 40 students
- Secured full time job at the Dorchester, a top restaurant in London



**SECURED FULL TIME CHEF JOB  
AT DORCHESTER HOTEL  
STUDENT OF THE YEAR AT HARINGEY 6TH FORM**



# Success Stories

## Moustapha Kaire

- Outstanding improvement in football, progressing to Elite team
- 96% attendance in college + outstanding feedback from teachers
- Won Jack Petchey Achievement Award



**WON JACK PETCHEY AWARD  
ESTUDIANTES MOST IMPROVED  
STUDENT OF THE YEAR AWARD**

# Success Stories

## Fabio Teixeira

- Completed his degree at Loughborough after four years
- National champion in Futsal
- Gained full time employment on return to London



LOUGHBOROUGH  
STUDENTS

**COMPLETED SPORTS DEGREE  
AT LOUGHBOROUGH  
WON NATIONAL FUTSAL TITLE**

# Success Stories

## Nico Casteluber

- Estudiantes player of the year in futsal, with over 30 goals.
- Played in MIC Cup, securing professional football contract
- Outstanding year in education



NATIONAL  
**FUTSAL  
LEAGUE**



**OVER 30 GOALS  
IN 14 GAMES IN  
THE NATIONAL FUTSAL LEAGUE**

# Success Stories

## Christie Kabangu

- A brilliant first year at Queen Mary University.
- An excellent season for football team
- Outstanding achievement in Education award for Estudiantes



**SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED  
FIRST YEAR AT QUEEN MARY  
UNIVERSITY. 100% ATTENDANCE**

# Success Stories

## Lamine Gomes

- Successfully completed first year of his BTEC course
- Progressed to semi professional football, winning step 7 title
- Won footballer of the year at Haringey 6th Form College



**WON MIDDLESEX COUNTY  
FOOTBALL LEAGUE  
PREMIER DIVISION**



# Success Stories

## Bernardino Andeme

- 100% attendance in college, completing ESOL course
- Progressed to Elite football team
- Significant improvement in commitment to fitness



**HARINGEY  
SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**  
SUCCESS AMBITION RESILIENCE

**100% ATTENDANCE IN EDUCATION  
SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED ESOL COURSE**

# Success Stories

## Eesa Sayed

- Completed London Marathon in 3 hours 40 minutes
- Incredible dedication to fitness as part of Outrunners project.
- Performed well for Saturday football team



**SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETED  
LONDON MARATHON IN  
3 HOURS 40 MINUTES**

# Success Stories

## Levin Dookhun

- Won the Joel Richards Inspire Award
- Won London FA Young Volunteer of the Year
- Another successful year in FULL TIME employment at his old school
- Significant personal development in fitness and public speaking



**LONDON FA  
YOUNG VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**

**LondonFA**



**THE FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION  
YOUNG VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR  
THE JOEL RICHARDS INSPIRE AWARD**





# Success Stories

## Owen Locke

- Represented England in Partially sighted futsal and Blind football
- Led our futsal team brilliantly as player/coach
- Gained employment with Bloomsbury
- Won the National Disability Cup with West Brom



**REPRESENTED ENGLAND IN  
PARTIALLY SIGHTED FUTSAL AND  
BLIND FOOTBALL**

# Participant Feedback

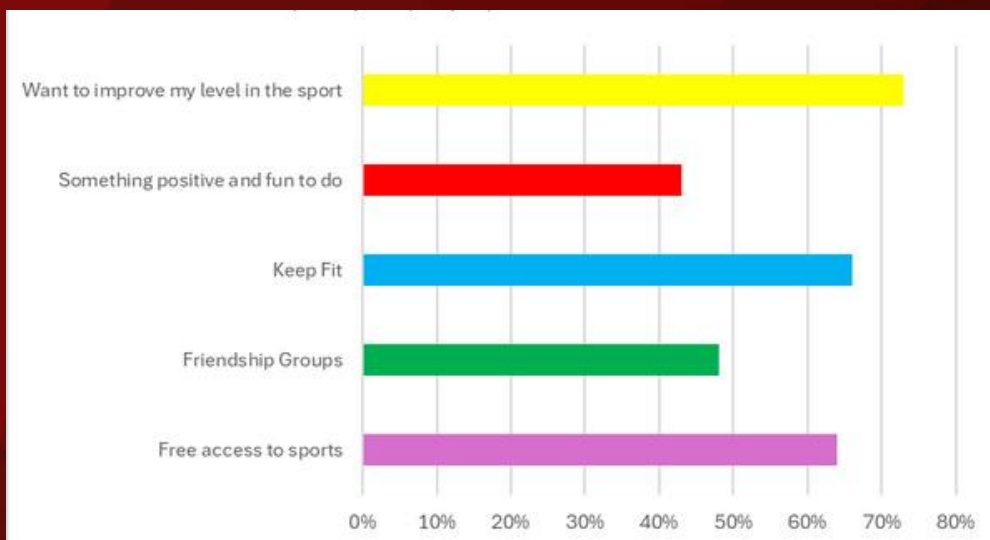
## WHAT IS THE BEST THING ABOUT ESTUDIANTES ?

- *Inclusion for all*
- *The support*
- *How much it's grown as not only a football club, but an inclusive sports club with multiple sports.*
- *It's free and we get so many opportunities*
- *The opportunity Estudiantes has given us*
- *Good relationship between colleagues*
- *The coaches are supportive*
- *Communication*
- *All the coaches really care about us and they do the most they can for us and it's a really positive environment*
- *The Respect and Responsibility between the players and coaches*
- *Team spirit and friendship within the club*
- *The opportunities presented to the players*
- *The people, always so caring and kind*
- *The people and the opportunities*
- *Meeting new people and socialising. Learning new skills*
- *You meet a lot of new friends and it helped me keep fit throughout this academic year*

## HOW CAN ESTUDIANTES BE BETTER

- *Better outreach to more people*
- *Have a girls only football group*
- *More training sessions*
- *More training*
- *Support to help me find work*
- *Clearer communication about training and matches*
- *To have more equipment*
- *More training sessions for the inclusion team*
- *Maybe get some new sports*
- *More sports*
- *Help me find a job*
- *By pushing it more on the Internet or social media*

## WHY DO YOUNG PEOPLE PLAY SPORT AT ESTUDIANTES?



# Rewarding Success

Thanks to those who support the club, we have been able to provide some incredible opportunities for our hardest working students again this year.

## An amazing three team football tournament at the Tottenham Hotspur Training Ground



We were delighted to be able to host two of the most prestigious universities in the world. The University of Cambridge and the University of Oxford join us for a three team tournament at the Tottenham Hotspur Training Ground in North London.

It was a fantastic day full of brilliant football, played in great spirit. We wanted to say a huge thank you to Tottenham Hotspur Football club for allowing us the incredible opportunity, specifically David Knowles.

We would also like to extend our thanks to John Bevan at Haringey Council whose support and connections at Tottenham Hotspur made the day possible.

We thank both Oxford and Cambridge for joining us for the inaugural Estudiantes Cup



***Over the past few seasons we have played multiple matches against Estudiantes and have seen the program go from strength to strength. The passion and dedication of everyone involved with estudiantes is immediately obvious.***

***The club provides a supportive environment that encourages players to develop both on and off of the pitch. We admire the hard work and vision of everyone involved and are excited to continue to develop the relationship between Estudiantes and CUAFC over the coming years.***

**Cambridge University**

# The opportunity to play in the National Futsal League, including a chance to play West London Futsal Club, the best supported club in England.



Since we started the club in 2018, we have provided over 120 young people with the opportunity to compete in elite level futsal. 19 new players played this year

We are the only senior club in England that provides free football and futsal.

Owen has represented England, while 5 others have won National universities titles.



THE  
HARGREAVES  
FOUNDATION

## THANK YOU TO THE HARGREAVES FOUNDATION

We would like to say a huge thank you to the Hargreaves Foundation who supported our futsal programme in the 2023/2024.

This allowed for students to take part in futsal throughout the 2023/2024 academic year. Over 50 young people took part in over 33,000 minutes of futsal

Students such as Gabriel and Nico took part in 2500 minutes each



# An incredible tour to Holland and Belgium to compete against some of the best football academies in North Europe

## Student Survey of participants.

- 85% of the students gained 6 or more friends on the tour
- 100% of students said the tour improved their physical health
- 100% of students said the tour improved their mental health
- 100% of students said they had more interest in travelling as a result of the tour
- 90% of student said the tour had helped improve their confidence

## Feedback from the participants



**Standard Liege**



**V.A Beerschot**

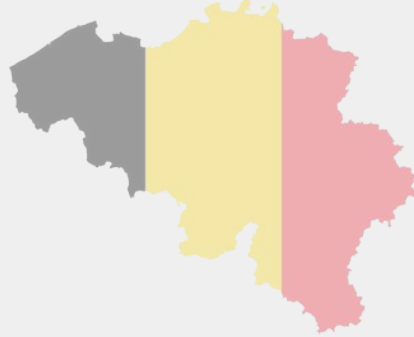


**PSV Eindhoven**

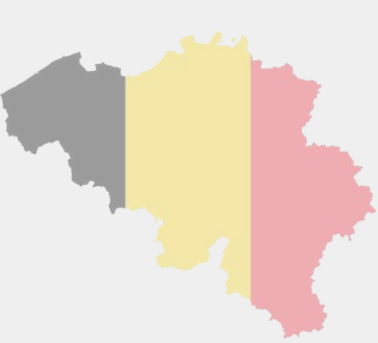


- The level of the teams that we played against
- Great experience to play against top opposition and to see where we stand compared to top players. The whole team was full of great people which made all of the time off the pitch enjoyable and lots of fun.
- Bonding with my teammates and getting to know each other
- The walks and the chilling time with teammates
- The togetherness
- We were together like a family, that's the best thing
- The camaraderie and memories shared with the boys
- The best things about the tour was when we was doing the warm up in the second game when the music was on I felt like I was professional or something. And the second thing was the hotel, it was so beautiful all i can say it is best place I ever been in my life, it was very beautiful.
- Just getting to know all the boys and build the relationships and obviously the games
- All the hotels and travelling where we got to spend time with each other.
- The organisation.
- The people, and the last hotel we went
- Playing against very good teams, and have some opportunities to become a professional player,





# Liege



# Antwerp



# Eindhoven



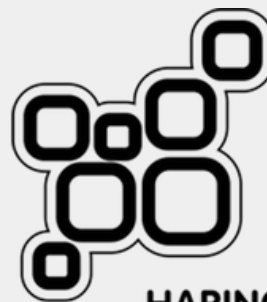
**100% OF STUDENTS NOW HAVE MORE INTEREST IN TRAVELLING AS A RESULT OF THE TOUR**



# THANK YOU TO HARINGEY 6TH FORM COLLEGE FOR MAKING THE TOUR POSSIBLE



Thank you to Haringey 6th Form trustee Ayub Khan for his support this year



**HARINGEY  
SIXTH FORM COLLEGE**  
SUCCESS AMBITION RESILIENCE

# We welcomed Tottenham Hotspur legend Ledley King to our annual awards to recognise outstanding achievements



## THANK YOU TO LEDLEY KING AND TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR

A huge thank you to Ledley King and Tony Stevens from Tottenham Hotspur for making our awards night an evening to remember. Welcoming one of Tottenham's best ever players was a great honour for us.



# On our first ever club day we hosted an Inclusion Cup, Elite training session, and matches for the Club and Youth teams



## THANK YOU TO THE TOTTENHAM GRAMMAR SCHOOL FOUNDATION

We would like to say a huge thank you to the the Tottenham Grammar School Foundation for supporting football and badminton provision at the club this year.

We were delighted that Graham Kantarowiz and David Kaplan were able to join us on the day to see some of our programmes in action.

We remain extremely thankful for their incredible support since we started the club



# Our London FA North East London Inclusion League provides a chance for all players to enjoy competitive football



**THANK YOU TO THE KFC FOUNDATION AND CENTRAL AND SOCIAL RECREATIONAL TRUST FOR HELPING TO FUND THE LONDON FA INCLUSION LEAGUE FOR THE 2023/2024 SEASON**

**Central Social & Recreational Trust**



# Staff and Volunteers

**HEAD OF OPERATIONS** DARREN WILTSHIRE  
**HEAD OF PERFORMANCE** JEREMY SUHARDI  
**SAFEGUARDING / WELFARE OFFICER** MARIA BETANCOURT  
**HEAD OF INCLUSION SPORTS** JUDE GEOGHEGAN  
**HEAD OF YOUTH FOOTBALL** JAYDEN CLIFFORD HAMILTON  
**HEAD OF STRENGTH AND CONDITIONING** FABIO TEIXEIRA

**HEAD OF EDUCATION** DARREN WILTSHIRE

**HEAD OF EMPLOYABILITY** DARREN WILTSHIRE

## **FUTSAL HEAD COACH**

MANAGER JEREMY SUHARDI  
HEAD COACH IVAN DJU  
GOALKEEPING COACH OWEN LOCKE  
CAPTAIN NICO CASTELUBER

## **CRICKET**

COACHES MIKEY AND DYLAN  
ASSISTANT COACH MOHID KHAN  
CLUB DEVELOPMENT OFFICER TERELL NEWSOME

## **TABLE TENNIS**

MANAGER JEREMY SUHARDI  
COACH DEREK BROWN  
TEAM CAPTAIN DIMITRI SIMEONOV

## **BADMINTON**

CLUB DEVELOPMENT OFFICER ASHWIN SUMA SURAJ

**CO-FOUNDER** DARREN WILTSHIRE

**CO-FOUNDER** MARCUS FOLEY

**TRUSTEE** DARREN WILTSHIRE

**TRUSTEE** MARCUS FOLEY

**TRUSTEE** IAIN MCLEAN

**TRUSTEE** RAYMOND MIAH

**DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT** DEREK MAY (SPORTED)

**DEVELOPMENT CONSULTANT** VISHNU PADMANABHAN

**FOOTBALL CONSULTANT** JOE WORF

**FOOTBALL CONSULTANT** CLAUDIO GARCIA LARA

**FOOTBALL CLUB CHAIRMAN** JOHN WILTSHIRE

# Staff and Volunteers



## **INCLUSION FOOTBALL TEAM**

HEAD COACH LEVIN DOOKHUN  
ASSISTANT COACH KIERAN WRIGHT

## **GIRLS FOOTBALL TEAM**

HEAD COACH EDDIE PICKERING

## **BOYS FOOTBALL ELITE TEAM**

HEAD COACH MAZ KARIM  
ASSISTANT COACH JEREMY SUHARDI  
CAPTAIN LAMINE SEIDE  
VICE CAPTAIN LAMINE GOMES

## **BOYS FOOTBALL TEAM**

HEAD COACH FABIO TEIXEIRA  
MANAGER JEREMY JONATA  
CAPTAIN CLERYS LUKA  
VICE CAPTAIN MOUSTAPHA KAIRE

## **YOUTH FOOTBALL TEAMS**

U18s HEAD COACH JEREMY SUHARDI  
CAPTAIN BERNARDINO  
HEAD YOUTH COACH JAYDEN CLIFFORD HAMILTON  
ASSISTANT COACH JUDE GEOGHEGAN  
ASSISTANT COACH ASHLEY KASIRYE  
ASSISTANT COACH NATHAN BARIMAH

## **LONDON FA INCLUSION LEAGUE**

LEAGUE MANAGER DARREN WITSHIRE  
LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER JUDE GEOGHEGAN  
LEAGUE DEVELOPMENT OFFICER ANGEL ASENOV  
LEAGUE REFEREE KRISTIAN CATO  
LEAGUE REFEREE DJIBRIL DIALLO  
LEAGUE REFEREE MOUSTAPHA KAIRE

## **DEVELOPMENT INCLUSION LEAGUE**

LEAGUE MANAGER JUDE GEOGHEGAN  
LEAGUE COACH ANGEL ASENOV

# Finances

**We truly thank everyone who has helped us keep the club free for all young people!**

## INCOME

From June 1st 2023 to May 31st 2024, we raised £49776. This included £16500 from our most significant funder Tottenham Grammar School Foundation that helped us to run our football and badminton programs.

Beyond this, the biggest grant was for £7620 from the Hargreaves Foundation to help us run our futsal club. London Youth funded £6900, this included funding for an officiating employability project that London Youth fund in partnership with CVC Capital Partners. UK Youth and Sported funded us with £3000 and £2500 respectively.

The £2500 from KFC Foundation, alongside £1000 from the Central and Social Recreational Trust allowed us to run our London FA Inclusion football league for over 60 young people with Special Educational Needs.

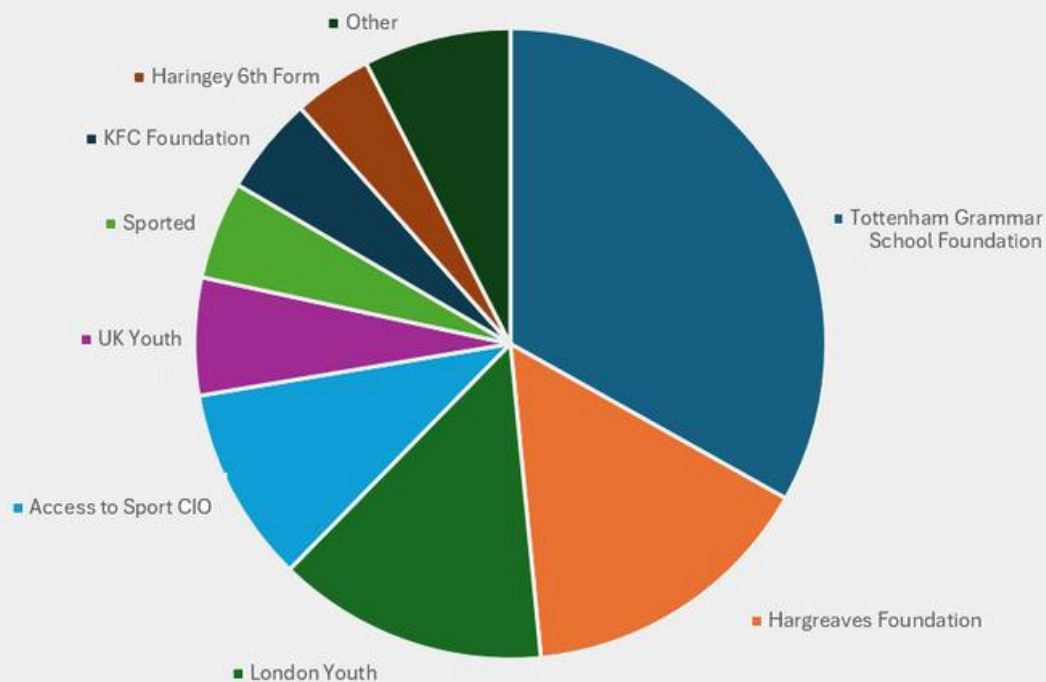
Ongoing support from Haringey 6th Form is extremely valuable, and included £2000 of funding for this academic year. Their sponsorship of our tour to Belgium and Holland will fall within the next financial year.

Anthony Russell made an incredibly kind donation of £750, his second very significant donation to the club. The football Foundation grant allowed us to purchase some wonderful and much needed new futsal goals. The Amateur FA's funding of £500 was provided as part of a Volunteer Development Plan we produced. This was highlighted nationally as good practice.

The incredible Sir Jack Petchey Foundation provided us with £300 to recognise the achievements of our students. Wallballers, a brilliant initiative to encourage young people to play football sponsored our home shirts for our football team with sponsorship of £300. The London FA provided us with £250 to support our inclusion league.

We thank all those who have supported our club since we started the club.

	£
Tottenham Grammar School Foundation	16500
Hargreaves Foundation	7620
London Youth	6900
Access to Sport CIO	5000
UK Youth	3000
Sported	2500
KFC Foundation	2500
Haringey 6th Form	2000
Central and Social Recreational Trust	1000
Antony Russell	750
The Football Foundation	656
Amateur FA	500
Sir Jack Petchey Foundation	300
Wallballers	300
London FA	250
	49776



# Finances

## EXPENDITURE

**Trustees and senior management work voluntarily on the club and do not take payment or expenses!**

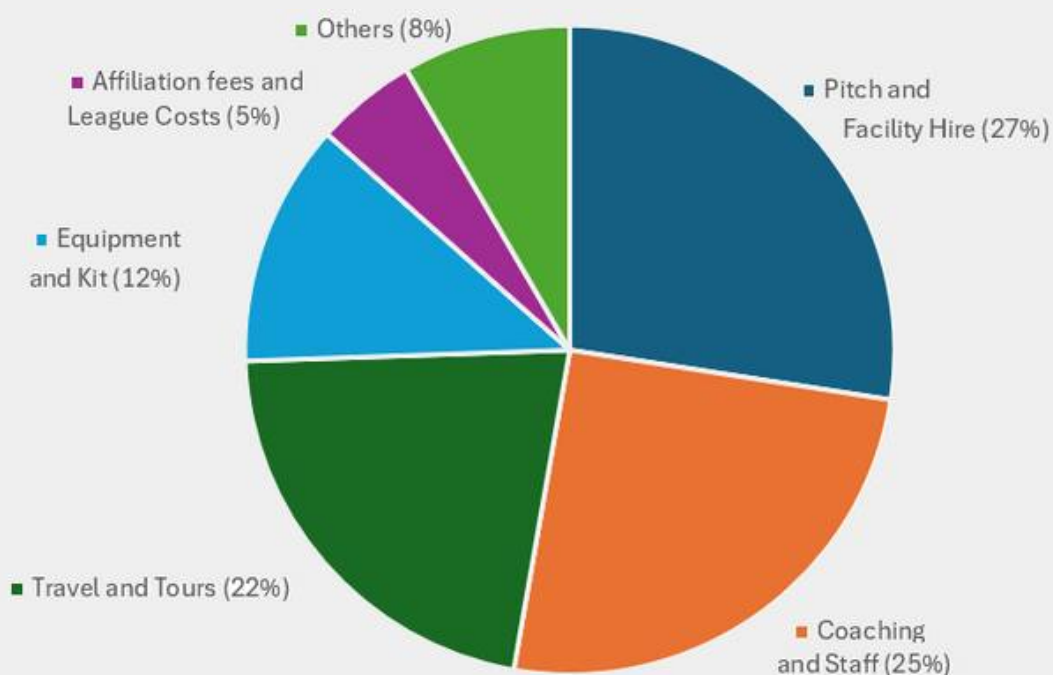
In our financial year ending 31st May 2024 we spent £64585 on running the club. This was £32,168 more than in the previous 12 months and gives an indication of how much our provision has increased this year. Our biggest expenditure in 2022/2023 was Pitch and Facility hire (£17,729.24). This accounted for 27% of our expenditure. The lack of facilities in the area is exacerbated by the ever increasing prices. Given this, we remain thankful to Haringey 6th form allowing us to use their facility to run clubs where possible. The next biggest expenditure was the cost of session coaches and staff £16,348.00 which again is a result of the increased provision we have delivered across multiple sports this year. We spent £14010.80 on travel and tours in this financial year. This amount includes the full cost of taking 21 students on the tour to Holland and Belgium.

We spent £7832.31 on equipment and kit. This includes purchases such as new futsal posts (£874.32) and equipment to deliver three new sports. The total also includes high quality performance analysis and fitness equipment that totalled £559.57. We spent a total of £3242.75 on the various affiliations to national governing bodies as well as league costs for our sports teams. This also includes insurance for the club.

The club spent £2585.00 on officials for matches. Where possible we try to utilise our own students to referee fixtures, especially those participants who have gained their FA referee qualification with the club. Our own graduates accounted for over 30% of the money spent on officials this year.

We spent £2242.83 on hosting events and media to promote the club. This included a spectacular end of year awards ceremony, in which Ledley King kindly agreed to be guest of honour. We spent £594.00 on Accounting and Banking services.

	£
Pitch and Facility Hire	17729.24
Coaching and Staff	16348.00
Travel and Tours	14010.80
Equipment and Kit	7832.31
Affiliation fees and League Costs	3242.75
Officials	2585.00
Media and Events	2242.83
Accounting and Banking	594.00
	64584.93



# Recommendations

## David Lammy, Secretary of State for Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Affairs of the United Kingdom

*"Estudiantes is a wonderful project clearly run by wonderful people. Their grassroots ethos and inclusive approach serve as a beacon of light in our borough. Harnessing the power and joy of football to provide stepping stones for progress – no matter what your background – is something for us all to celebrate."*



## John Jones, Sport Development Manager at London Youth



*"As a valued member of London Youth since 2020, we have seen first-hand the great work of Estudiantes through a range of our work including our Getting Active Sports Development Programme as well as our CVC Summer Grants."*

## Chris Sawyer, Head of Delivery at Sported

*"Estudiantes ignites passion for football, but it also opens doors to educational excellence, personal development and social mobility. The dedicated coaches and supportive environment empowers their young people to excel both on and off the field. Their recognition as 'Club of the Year' by the AFA for their social development work was very well earned and I'm confident we will continue to see more successes and even greater impact from Darren and his team over the coming years."*



## James Tierney, Football Development Officer at Amateur FA

*"Estudiantes have had another positive season in providing a football environment to help enrich the lives of young people in the Tottenham area. Offering a diverse football and futsal offer, the introduction of an inclusion team this year was a real testament to their efforts in providing a football experience for all. Alongside, their continued drive to upskill their participants with coaching and officiating qualifications, the club were worthy recipients of the Club of the Year award at the Amateur FA Recognition Awards."*

## Frank Van Doveren, PSV Eindhoven

*"On behalf of PSV Academy we were happy to host Estudiantes London for a game on Tuesday 28th of May 2024. The team with players and staff were all respectful and polite during their visit to our training ground. It was great to see the enthusiasm and positivity from the players. When possible from both sides, we are happy to get in contact again for future matches. Wish you all the best with Estudiantes London!"*



## London FA

*"The work has generated positivity in the local area and is a model example of an LFA partner creating worthwhile social impacts within less privileged areas of London."*



**LondonFA**

### **Moaz Abdulkarim, High Performance Manager at FIFA**



*"Estudiantes continue to use sport plus education to provide their participants with a sense of normalcy and to equip, empower and enhance participants capabilities for not just survival, but more importantly prosperity."*

### **Councillor John Bevan, Haringey Council**

*"I am very supportive of the important work Estudiantes do in the local community, using sport to encourage young people to excel in their education, I have observed that always education is mentioned as so important to the students at all their sporting events. I have seen how well behaved and polite young people from Estudiantes have been at various events, in the last three years. Including when Oxford and Cambridge Universities teams visited to take part in a wonderful three team football tournament that celebrated excellence in education and sport. Tottenham Hotspur were kind enough to support the event by allowing the tournament to take place at their training ground, this was achieved with my intervention, helped by the good relationship Estudiantes has with Tottenham Hotspur."*



*"I am pleased to offer this reference for Estudiantes, even more so as they work with all ethnic groups and all abilities, to reiterate I really mean all ethnic groups and abilities"*

### **Jason Kilby, Chief Executive Officer at Amateur FA**



*"The Amateur FA are in awe of Estudiantes. Estudiantes use the power of football to improve the education and lives of students in Tottenham, providing a free programme of football and futsal to those young people who show a commitment to excellence in their education."*



## Russell Lawrance CEO Haringey 6th Form College

*"Our partnership with Estudiantes is designed to provide an opportunity for developing talented and gifted footballers in a supportive and specialist environment, whilst also gaining academic and vocational qualifications.*

*There are mutual benefits for the Club and Haringey Sixth Form College from excellent links and partnerships. An added plus is that the club is now producing futsal and football players and teams of the highest quality – many of lads have gone on to study at university level or have successful careers within sport.*

*The partnership has also been key in enhancing an understanding and creating an increased culture of inclusion through football via the inclusion team, a fantastic example of a sustainable and inclusive pathway providing significant opportunities to inspire people to play the game, many who are giving team sports a go for the first time."*



# Thank you for supporting our club!



THANK YOU TO ALL OF THE COACHES THIS YEAR!





**From Tottenham to Eindhoven.....**

**Thank you to the incredible photographer Paul Ochen-Lamolon for capturing our year!**



# Estudiantes de La Plata



Our club is proudly affiliated with the great Argentine sports club Estudiantes de La Plata who were the champions of the World in 1968, famously defeating Manchester United.



Thank you to their president Juan Sebastian Veron for supporting our club here. Thank you to Luis Alvarez Gelves and Gabriel Pregal for their ongoing assistance.

We will always be thankful to Nico Cocchiararo, who gave so much time and effort to help our club. His work to promote our club was vital in allowing us to access funding to get the club started.

## ESTUDIANTES DE LA PLATA

Based in La Plata in Argentina, the club's football team have won the Argentina championship 6 times, and South American 'Libertadores' Cup on 4 occasions. The team famously won the World Club 'Intercontinental' Cup in 1968 beating Manchester United over two legs in the final.

Estudiantes de La Plata won the Football League Cup in Argentina in 2024

# The journey so far at Estudiantes



**100% FREE HIGH-QUALITY 100% INCLUSIVE SPORTS PROVISION**

**EDUCATION SPORT EMPLOYMENT**

**AVERAGE ACADEMIC ATTENDANCE OF PARTICIPANTS IS 94.9%**

**PROMOTING EXCELLENCE IN EDUCATION!**

**THE AMATEUR FA FOOTBALL CLUB OF THE YEAR 2023!**

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS HELPED THE CLUB GROW**

- MARCUS F
- MARIA B
- VISHNU P
- CLAUDIO GL
- NICO C
- RAY M
- JOE W
- TAYLAN G
- ASHLEY CC
- AYOUB B
- ANDREI R
- ANTHONY IAIN M
- RUBEN LF
- AKASH N
- DEREK M
- OWEN L
- DIMAR B
- LEVIN D
- SINHANI Q
- CRISTIAN C
- JAMES D
- HAJI J
- JEREMY S
- SAEED A
- PAUL L
- KUNLE I
- JAYDEN CH
- MAZNEE G
- MAZ K
- IVAN DJU

**AND ALL OF THE STUDENTS!**

**Thank you to those who have supported us since we started!**





Thank you for taking the time to read our annual report.

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