



### The SB Group Sport & Education Academy

Providing outstanding education and sporting pathways for aspiring athletes across the globe.

2021/22 International Academy Brochure



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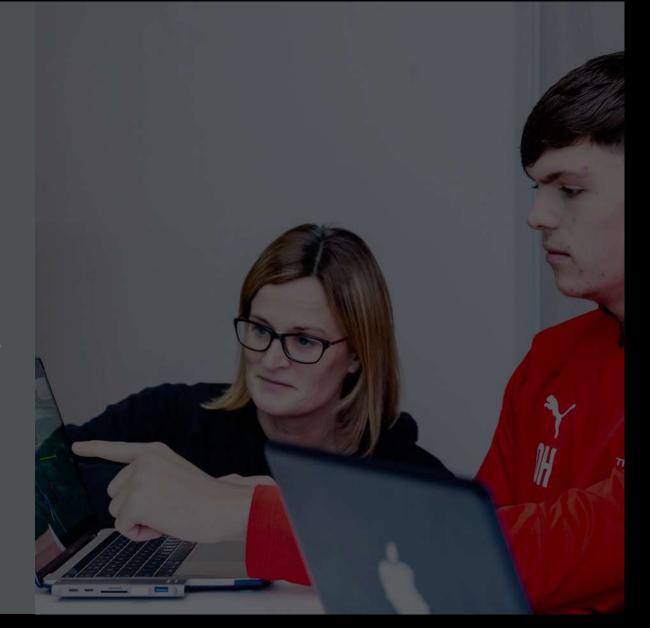
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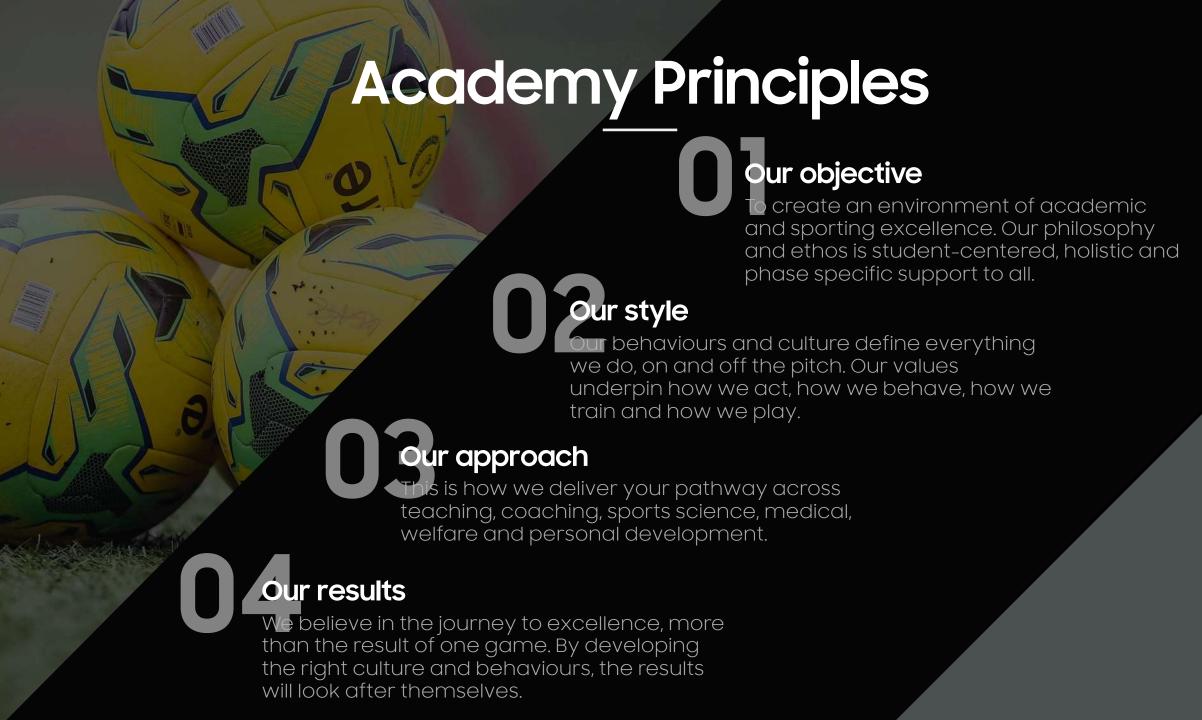
### The Academy

The Bracknell Town Football Club Academy is one of the UK's leading soccer and education establishments, offering both UK and International students the most comprehensive sporting and academic experience.

The first-of-its-kind programme combines a dedicated education syllabus covering topics such as sports science, business and marketing within the world-renowned English Education System, a holistic athletic curriculum including Strength & Conditioning, Sports Psychology, Performance Analysis and technical & tactical coaching delivered by UEFA Coaches.







### **Academy Experience**

The Academy is a full-time education and soccer programme for domestic, European and international male and female student-athletes aged 17-years and over.

The programme is designed and delivered by expert coaches and tutors, and accredited by internationally recognized educational institutions, such as Loughborough University.



#### Academic development

From High School diplomas and undergraduate courses, through to degrees and Masters degrees, our educational pathway will provide you with an excellent foundation for students to pursue a professional career in the UK and abroad.



#### Athletic development

Aspiring players will participate in games across Youth, Men's and Women's soccer in fixtures within The FA Youth Cup, The National League and The Junior Premier League, where our teams will be challenged against Premiership academies on a weekly basis.



#### Character development

With dedicated psychological support and pastoral care, we believe passionately in developing character, personality, resilience and confidence to take your steps into early adult life. We believe better people make better athletes.

#### Stadium

Due for completion in early 2021, the new home of Bracknell Town Football Club



#### Training

New Academy base due to be opened in 2021, including state of the art facilities



#### Classrooms

Series of classrooms and meeting rooms for study, meetings and conferences





#### **Pitches**

Range of pitch sizes for games, training and all-weather conditions



#### Gym

On site gymnasium with range of equipment to aid athletic development



#### Accommodation

Purpose built athlete village, with a range of accommodation options for students

### Academy Experience

Located just 40-minutes from Central London, with state-of-the-art facilities and a range of accommodation options for all students. Living, training and studying alongside students from all corners of the globe, provides a culturally diverse, inclusive and rich environment to mature as a person; we embrace our differences as we believe they make us stronger.

### Global Culture

Vancouver

Washington

Los Angeles

New York

Belgium

Ugando

Botswana

#### **Shared house**

Five bedrooms, with en-suite accommodation and shared living space. Within close proximity to the Academy.

#### Shared apartment

Double occupancy bedrooms, with en-suite bathrooms and communal kitchen, dining and living space.



### **Academy Partners**











GPS Tracking

Video Analysis

Performance Analysis













Education Partners









### Aged 16-18 Further Education

Wide range of A-Levels, BETC & NCFE, plus specialist sports science courses, for domestic students with Ranelagh School and Bracknell & Wokingham College.

In addition, online HS Diploma with USPA accreditation for international students.



Our partnership with UK Sport Academy & Loughborough University provides a wide range of online study options to work around your athletic schedule:

> HND undergraduate HNC undergraduate Degree undergraduate



Progress your academic pathway in the historic city of Cambridge. Over 100 postgraduate online courses with Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge Campus:

Sports Coaching - MSc Sport & Exercise Science - MSc Sport & Exercise Sciences - PhD





Overall pass rate was 98%.

24% of our Year 13 students achieved grades AAB or better.

Two students have successfully gained places at Oxford and Cambridge

#### Ranelagh School

With a proud history of academic excellence and strong sense of tradition, Ranelagh School provides a supportive, stimulating and secure environment in which young people can thrive. The quality of guidance, education and pastoral care given to students is outstanding.

As well as delivering strong academic results, the school provides opportunities for sporting and creative excellence, which contribute significantly to student life and to a diverse programme of curriculum enrichment.





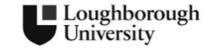


Ranked as the best university in the world for sports-related subjects in the global 2020 QS higher education league table.

Recognised for offering bring together exceptional athletes, facilities, coaching, research and partnerships with major sports organisations.

#### Loughborough University

Based on a superb 440 acre single-site campus at the heart of the UK, with an international reputation for excellence in teaching, science and research and an unrivalled global reputation for sport. The university's outstanding sporting facilities come complete with an



indoor athletics centre, an outdoor stadium and a 50m swimming pool.

Our partnership with Loughborough University enables students to study a wide range of undergraduate online courses.



ARU is one of the top 350 universities in the world and is an innovative institution which is also considered a 'rising star' – one of the institutions predicted to be challenging the global elite by 2030 (Times Higher Education World University Rankings)

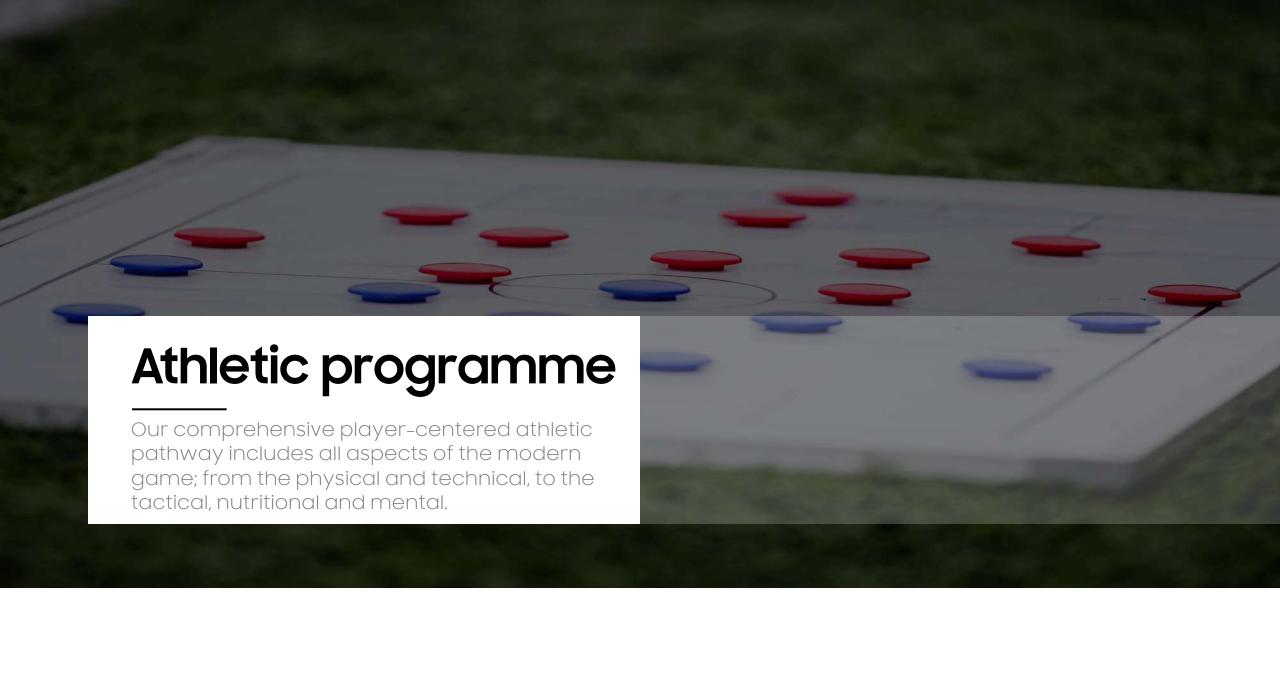
#### Anglia Ruskin University, Cambridge



With award-wining facilities - the result of a £115m investment - the ARU offers a broad range of online postgraduate courses and academic disciplines. Subject areas include business management, healthcare, technology, marketing and sport science..

The online learning, which will provide flexibility to accommodate your athletic programme, is complemented with residential placements in the historic city of Cambridge.

With over 2,000 international students, the university boasts a rich culture and diverse student population.





## Technical skill. Dynamic exciting play. Positive, entertaining soccer.

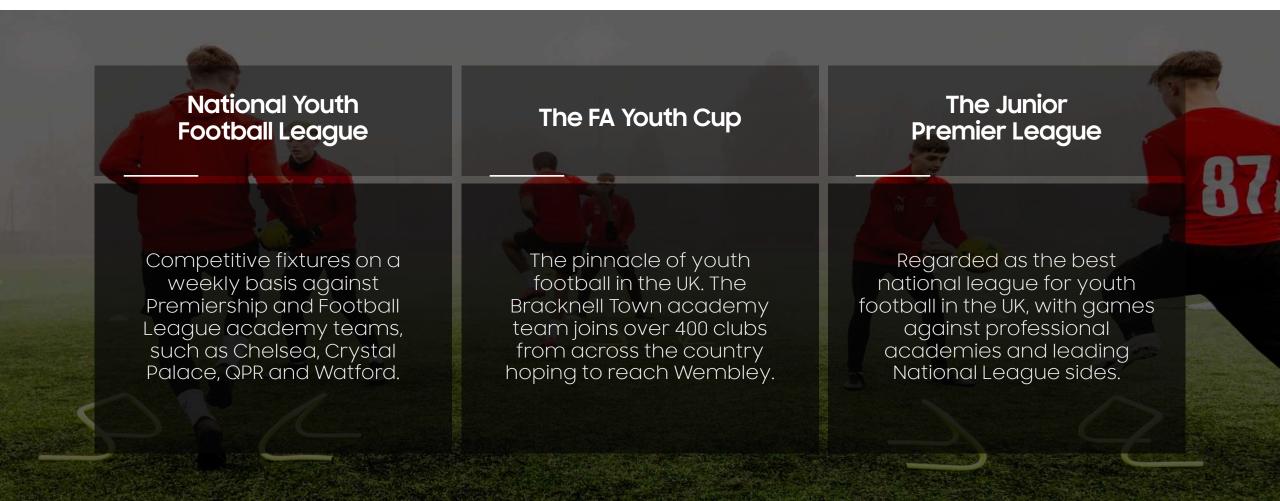
Our playing philosophy is to play possession based, fast attacking football, where players are encouraged to express themselves on the ball, have courage to play and work hard to regain possession. We will encourage all teams to "Control & Dominate" the game in all areas.

### Academy Structure



### Athletic Programme

Due to our ethos, coaching programme and reputation within the domestic game, our academy is the only UK establishment to offer such a range of football experiences and development opportunities.



Athletic Programme

#### **Technical & tactical**

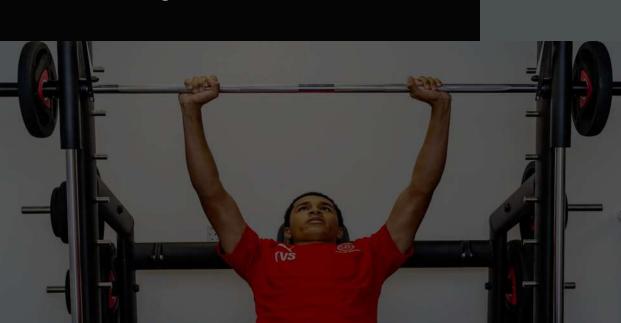
Delivered by FA & UEFA qualified coaches with a wealth of global football experience, we will develop and produce players who are highly competent in attacking, defending and the transitional aspects of the modern game.

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By understanding the science of sport, your Strength & Conditioning programme will help you build neural & muscular adaptations to meet the physiological demands, intensity and load placed upon the body during a game. We will develop movement patterns, as well as muscle.





#### Performance analysis

Our dedicated analyst team will provide expert insight into your game to inform decision-making, tactical understanding, optimize your performance throughout the season and gain a deeper understanding of the game.

#### Physiotherapy

In order to maintain maximal performance and squad availability, our team of physios provide therapy and guidance throughout the season to reduce the risk of injuries occurring, the rehabilitation of injured athletes and management of ongoing chronic issues to ensure full recovery.

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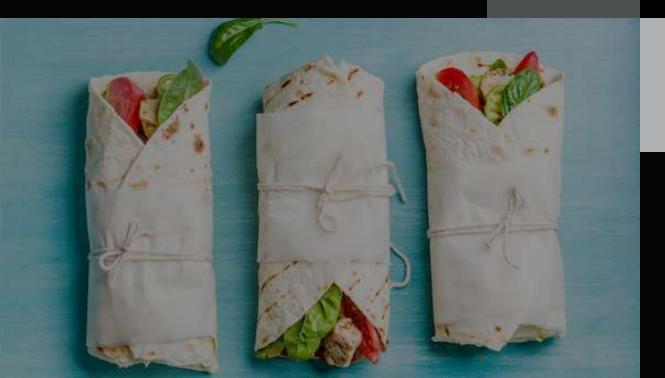


Athletic Programme

#### **Psychological**

Through personal tutoring, group work and practical applications, our sports psychology programme will develop your mental performance to maintain focus during extreme circumstances and tackle new challenges, different environments and overcome hurdles.

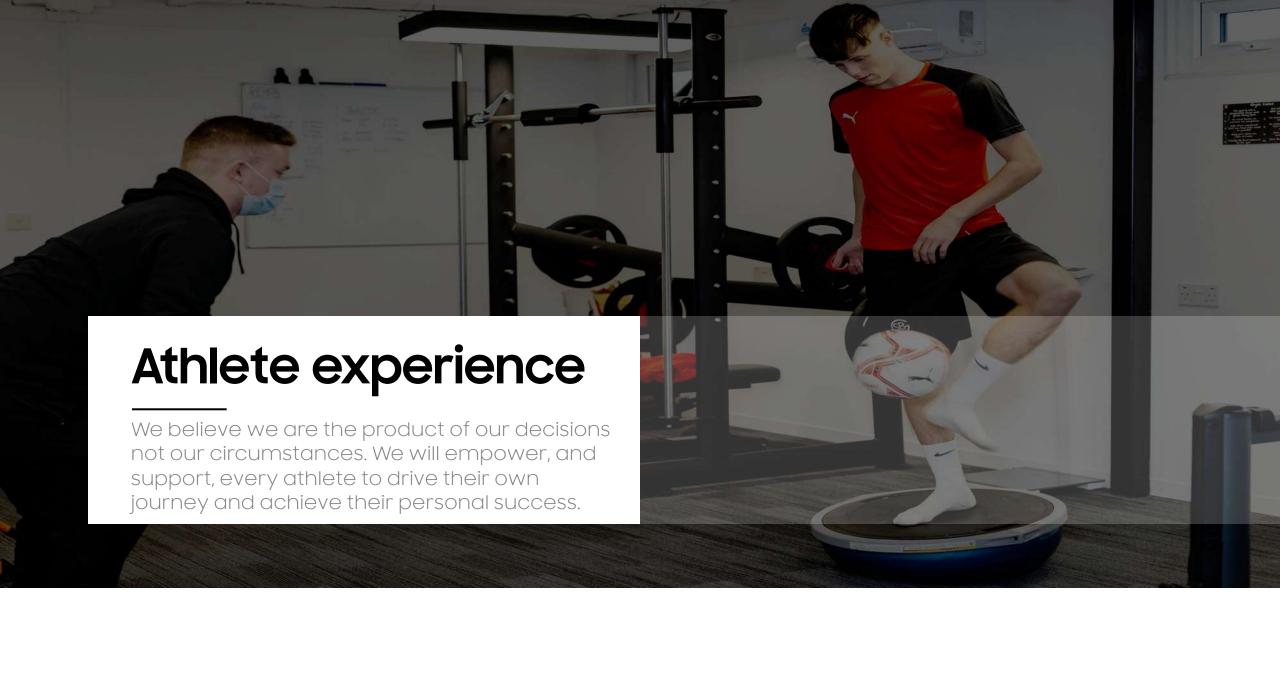
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#### **Nutrition**

Good nutritional practices are essential to ensure optimum performance in training and in games. Players who eat a good diet will run further, sprint more, keep their concentration longer, are more successful with passing/crossing accuracy, and are less likely to get injured.

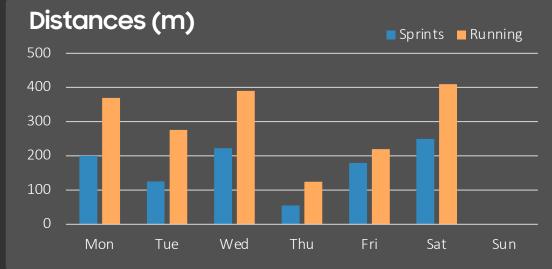


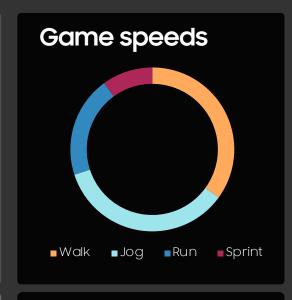
Player Timetable

	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	08.00	08.00	08.00	08.00	08.00	08.00	08.00
	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast	
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	Training	Assembly		Recovery	Training	The second second	
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	14.00	13.30	Matches	13.30	13.30	13.30	Rest & Recover
	Private study	Lunch		Sports Science	S&C - Gym		
7	14:30	14:00		15:00	14:30		
	Analysis	Girls team training		Education	Private study		
	15:30	15:00		17:00	15:00	DTFC / CTFC	
	S&C - Gym	Education		Dinner	Player 1-1's	BTFC / STFC Games	
	16:30	16:00		18:00	17:00		
	Down time	Player 1-1's		Private study	Dinner		
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### Performance Analysis







Total distance in game

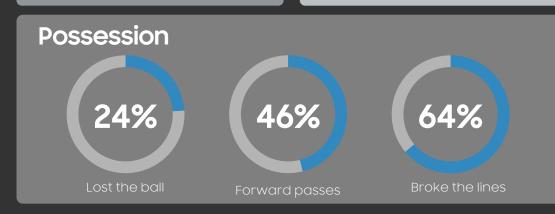
9.8km

Pass completion rate
127
+10%

Final third entries
11 +5%

Attempts at goal

5



#### Insights

- Overall, strong levels of physical attributes & endurance capacity
- Positive increase in possession & starting to dominate the midfield, with increasing levels of penetration in the opposition box. Try to be more effective in terms of chance conversion
- Introduce plyometrics training to improve reaction times, agility and mobility

### Performance Reviews



#### Player profile

Every player in the Academy will receive a Player Profile, outlining specific KPI's



#### Parent review

Full review of the athlete experience, on and off the pitch, and update on academic / athletic progress



#### Player review

Athlete-led formal review meeting to reflect on performance and priorities going forward

Aug

Sept

Dec

Jan

Mar

May

#### Athletic testing

Detailed assessment of athlete movement qualities and physical performance metrics



#### Athletic testing

Analysis of key performance measures, specific to player needs and development areas



Season review and progression analysis, highlighting key gains & any training plan adjustments





### **Future Pathways**

The Academy experience provides a range of future opportunities for students to pursue successful academic and sporting pathway in the UK and abroad. We are proud to offer such scope and breadth of learning and development opportunities for young adults.



### Future Pathways

#### Gap year experience

One-year of studying, playing, training and living with talented international soccer players



#### **Enhanced portfolio**

Return to the US with an enhanced football experience plus qualification in sports science

#### Two-year further education

Achieve HNC / HND qualification in UK university alongside a soccer performance programme



#### **US University placement**

Secure high level university placement with strong sports pedigree and reputation

#### Three-year degree

Gain undergraduate qualification from a prestigious UK university alongside a high-level soccer experience



#### Career progression

High level academic qualifications and excellent athletic development opportunities in high level soccer

### **Success Stories**

#### Nic Simmons

Position: Def Age: 18

Birthplace: Colorado

Nic joined the Academy in 2019 and has spent the past two years training & playing in the UK whilst continuing his US education.

This year, he will graduate from the elite United States
Performance Academy.

He has 9 high level university offers plus opportunities in soccer in the US and UK.

#### Academic experience

Opportunity to combine his studies with living in a new culture broadened his development. The flexible academic programme allowed him to excel on and off the pitch

#### Athletic experience

Progressing through the Academy ranks, Nic has enjoyed a vast football journey. From playing against elite Premiership academy teams to experiencing the intensity of highlevel men's football

#### **Next steps**

Nic has some incredible opportunities to progress his studies back home or further his footballing career

### **Success Stories**

#### Minke Van Hoef

Position: Goalkeeper

Age: 17 Birthplace: Roermond, NL

Confident, courageous and determined, Minke has been studying and playing in the UK for over a year.

Her performances on the pitch have caught the attention of several professional clubs. As well as playing in the Academy team, she trains with our First Team and Oxford United Football Club.

#### Academic experience

Minke has a personal education programme with UK Sports Academy to further her academic qualifications. This year she will gain NCFE Level 3 Extended Diploma in Sport

#### Athletic experience

As captain of the ladies Academy football team, she has grown in maturity and has excelled in her coaching programme. She has gained valuable experience with our first team and exposure in the professional game

#### Next steps

Minke has several options to consider in the UK and in Holland. Her pathway will take her into elite ladies' soccer

### **Success Stories**

#### Ben Drake

Position: Left midfield

Age: 17

Birthplace: UK

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### Planning for next season

### Academy Costs

1-2 Year August 2021 - June 2022 From £29,000\*

#### Accommodation

On-site accommodation included

#### **Training Kit**

Training & playing kit is included

#### **Sports Science**

Full access to sports science and medical support

#### On-Site Gym

Full use of our on-site gym

#### Performance Analysis

Expert video analysis, GPS tracking & heart-rate monitoring

#### **Nutrition**

Three meals a day provided by our in-house chef

#### **Social & Culture**

UK tour and educational experiences

#### **Transportation**

Travel within the UK, including transfers to London Airports

#### Pastoral Care & Support

Personalised guidance, mentoring & emotional wellbeing

#### Student & Tourist Visas

We will provide guidance on all necessary visas

\*cost varies dependent on accommodation & educational choices

### **Enrollment Schedule**

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April	May	June	July	Aug
Expression of interest, prepare highlight video & CV. Conduct player & parent interview				T				
Acceptance letter, welcome pack & payment to secure Academy place	First payment		ent					
Education enrollment and placement secured			Second pay	yment				
Squad number issued & training / playing kit ordered				Third pay	ment			
FA & League registration details confirmed & processed	Prior Control				Fourt	th payment		
Flights and travel arrangements booked	<u>&gt;</u>	Visa, insuran	ce & travel ar	rangements sec	ured	Final <sub>I</sub>	oayment	



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