



Welcome to the end of year edition of our Club Newsletter ... the summer holidays have begun!! What a packed term this has been, especially bearing in mind that the summer term is usually a quiet one for netballers!! Can we take this opportunity to wish you a fantastic summer & thank you for your support of the club in 2014–2015. We would love to hear all about what you are getting up to over the holidays, particularly if it is netball related—please email us at magnet.netball@virginmedia.com

Half Term Newsletter

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What a great year for Magnet Netball

As we sit down to write this last newsletter of the school year, many of the girls have already broken up for their summer holidays! Where has the year gone!?

We hope you all have a wonderful summer, and enjoy a well earned break—both parents and players alike!!

It has been a fantastic year for the club, growing to over 160 members (and a further 62 on the waiting list!) playing at recreational and competition levels, aged 6-60!! Ladies Back to Netball sessions continue to grow in popularity, with many newcomers discovering their old love of the game and being snapped up for teams in the league.

The club now has a waiting list across every age group, and we are intro-

ducing mixed age & ability sessions so we can accommodate more players. We are delighted to welcome some new coaches into the club for September—some of you will already know Parveen Mahmood and Kerry Oliver who has just passed her 'C'



level umpiring award.

We have played in the Berkshire & Charters Leagues through the winter, participated in several summer tournaments both near & afar, from U10-U13, nominated girls for Berkshire Academy Netball (county level selection), had our first hugely successful residential

weekend tour to Brean Sands, trained hard and even found time for a club Fun Day!

We think this has given us an incredible foundation to build even more successes together into the new season, and are looking forward to getting the girls back after the summer!! However, we don't want them to totally lose their mojo, so please see below for details on summer training!!

The club feels like a giant family to us, and it is incredibly important that the girls continue to love netball, and to grow and develop their skills—whatever the group or level they play in! We would love your feedback on anything you think we could be doing to improve in 2015-2016.

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Magnet Netball Club Kit

A number of parents have approached us, asking about kit requirements. Just so you can be clear about what is needed, here is a list of what your daughter will need.

- **Trainers** are the most important purchase for your netball playing daughter, and as she progresses up through the club will be a significant purchase. Ensure, even from a young age, that they have arch support, not flat soles. Once your daughter is playing in matches, she must be wearing specialist netball shoes only.
- **Training Kit.** For all training sessions, your daughter should wear a navy skort, the blue Magnet Netball Club t-shirt (available from Thames Valley Sports), white socks & trainers. Magnet Netball Club hoodies are an optional purchase from the club.
- **Match Kit.** Year 5 wear training kit to matches. Year 6 have a purple Magnet Netball Club shirt for matches and tournaments, provided by the coach at matches. Year 7 and above wear the green & purple skirts and tops provided by the club for matches and tournaments. All girls playing in competition squads are encouraged to purchase the club hoody.

More information on the kit & what to buy is on the club website, or just ask your coach at training.

Brean Sands Netball Tournament 2015

What a weekend!!!!

Our first club tour took place in June at the Pontins resort in Brean Sands. This is a massive weekend tournament, drawing from clubs all over the country! We were thrilled to take 28 very excited and slightly hyper girls this year, where some spectacular netball was played!! The pictures tell a far better story than we ever

could—but the parents, coaches & girls had a fab time & we are all looking forward to booking next year!!



The girls all played their socks off throughout the weekend, in scorching sun on the Saturday, rain and slippy courts on the Sunday! Both the U11 and U12 teams made it through to the play-offs in the plate competition, with the U11 team reaching the quarter finals, and the U12's being knocked out in the first round. As a club, it was lovely to see the older girls supporting & encouraging the younger ones, and the whole club came down to watch & to support the girls in their play-off rounds. We had a fantastic weekend, with the girls really enjoying getting to know each other better, bonding as teams and as a club while consolidating some great netball skills. Roll on 2016!!

Magnet Netball Prizegiving & AGM

Friday 25th September 2015

Put this date in your diaries now!!!

We want to celebrate this great year in our club with some awards, prizes, nominations ... basically everything and anything great that has happened this year, we want to shout about it!! You will be receiving an invite soon, but please make sure you are free to attend & your parents too!!

Remember ... www.magnetnetballclub.co.uk

We have updated the web site to include upcoming fixtures, results, local summer training camps, changes to the committee ... In fact, for pretty much any query, try the web site as your first port of call before calling your coach, team manager or Sally!

Match Results May 2015

U11 Squad			
	Match / Rally	Score / Placing	GoG
1/6/15	Magnet FIRE v Surrey Heath	12-17 Surrey	Kate
1/6/15	Magnet ICE v Royals	9-19 Royals	Daisy
8/6/15	Magnet ICE v Cardinals Fleet	11-17 Cardinals	Freya
8/6/15	Magnet FIRE v Charters Diamonds	15-5 FIRE	Zoe
15/6/15	Magnet FIRE v Royals	6-10 Royals	Zoe
22/6/15	Magnet FIRE v Windsor	31-5 FIRE	Olivia
22/6/15	Magnet ICE v Cardinal Oaks	CANX 10-0 ICE	
24/6/15	Magnet FIRE v Magnet ICE	26-13 FIRE	F—Olivia I—Millie
6/7/15	Magnet FIRE v Charters Crystals	14-10 FIRE	Frankie
9/7/15	Magnet ICE v Charters Diamonds	27-2 ICE	Zoe
13/7/15	Magnet ICE v Charters Crystals	CANX 10-0 ICE	
13/7/15	Magnet FIRE v Cardinal Fleet	22-15 Fleet	Olivia
20/7/15	Magnet ICE v Windsor	22-2 Magnet	Daisy

STOP PRESS ..Final Results from Charters Summer League... Well done to all girls who played, helped by the Year 5's (Heidi, Niamh, Maia & Paris), and Ellen from the Rec group—our two teams finished in 4th and 5th places. Fire lost out to third place by only one point, having had a tough last two games with several team members away. Ice comfortably finished fifth place, finishing the season with a spectacular win against Windsor this week!

Dream Southampton Tournament

U11's : The U11 team had a mixed day at the Dreams Southampton Tournament in June. In a group of very mixed



abilities, we had some strong wins against Dreams, Weston Park Blades, Peaks & Squall, but were held to a draw by NRG and lost to Poole & Surrey Heath. This put us at third place in our group, sadly not qualifying for the play-offs.



U12's : The U12's started the tournament with some incredible play, winning all their morning games convincingly! Sadly, the toughest games again were held until the afternoon, and a couple of losses meant that they also finished third in their group, therefore not making the play-offs.

Upcoming Events & Fixtures for Your Diaries

4/8/15	Summer Training, Kidwells Courts, 6.30-8pm
11/8/15	Summer Training, Kidwells Courts, 6.30-8pm
18/8/15	Summer Training, Kidwells Courts, 6.30-8pm
25/8/15	Summer Training, Kidwells Courts, 6.30-8pm
1/9/15	Summer Training, Kidwells Courts, 6.30-8pm
25/9/15	Magnet Netball Club Prizegiving & AGM, 6.30pm
13/9/15	Berkshire League & Charters League begins, dates tbc

Summer Training for Years 5-9 Performance Squads

We will be running weekly summer training sessions as listed here for ALL girls currently playing in any of the Performance Squads, and for year 5's who have been selected for the Year 6 squad. You should have already received an email from your team manager about these—if you are hoping to be selected to play in League games this autumn, then we **expect to see you at as many sessions as you can attend**. Priority on team selection WILL be given to girls attending these sessions.

Please can parents let us know which dates your daughter can make so we can plan training & coaches accordingly. We will be including a mix of fitness and match play in the sessions, and will mix up the age groups and teams each session. We would also really like to encourage as many netball playing mums to come down for these sessions so we can get you on court to play against / with some of the girls—do let us know if you can come along for any of these weeks!

Sessions run at Kidwells Park Courts, and will cost £2 per week. All queries to Annette or Marina only, tel 07759 572223 (Annette)

And finally Have a wonderful summer we are looking forward to seeing you back at netball week commencing **Monday 7th September 2015**. Renewal letters will be coming out via email in the next few weeks—if for any reason, you are not renewing, please can you let us know as soon as possible, so we can offer your place to someone on the waiting list! See you all in September—and don't forget to email us any netball news or updates!!