



Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year!!

Can we take this opportunity to say please do have a very Merry Christmas to all of our club members, and we hope you all have a wonderful (netball filled!) New Year!

Training and matches for the girls start back for St Pirans girls on Wednesday 4th January 2017, and at the Magnet w/c 9th Jan. 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



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Half Term Newsletter

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Amazing Netball!!!

Another year has whizzed past, and we have realized that the newsletter has not been published since Easter!!

So much has happened since then, including some fantastic netball at Summer Tournaments, running the Club's first tournament at Furze Platt School in April, the Brean Sands tour last June, and now we are already half way through the new season of Berkshire League games, with teams representing the club in the U11, U12, U13, and U14 Division One groups.

It was a pleasure to see so many of you at our club AGM in September, where the Chair of Berkshire Netball, Sarah Feast



presented awards to our most talented and dedicated girls.

The club is slowly becoming a 'name' on the netball circuit, as we develop and grow some great players. We are thrilled to have three girls representing the club at this year's

Berkshire Satellite Academy, a step on the ladder towards representing their county. We are winning matches against established teams like Woodley and Royals,

and actually shaking up the 'pecking order' a little bit!

In terms of going forward, we continue to try to develop as many girls as we can, in an appropriate manner for them. Our oldest competition squads have benefitted from two very different guest coaches this season, something we plan to continue with.

In the younger groups, we work with both the competition and recreational groups to

identify and maximize each players potential. We are very aware that young girls develop as players and physically grow at very different rates, and so we move players between these groups when we feel they are ready.



Our recreational groups are nearly all full, as we encourage more and more girls to play regularly, even if higher level competitive play isn't for them right now.

We have a number of coaches who have continued their professional development this year, taking Level 1 & 2 Coaching Courses, and others qualifying as umpires. We have new parent helpers and team managers, and are always looking for more support if you would like to be more involved with the club—just let us know what you can offer!

Brean Sands Tour 2016 is Booked!

We are delighted to confirm that we will be taking the U13 team to Brean 23-25 June, and the U14 team 30 June -2nd July 2017. All deposits from these girls should have been received.

Due to number of both players and coaches available, we are presently unable to commit to taking the younger teams, but may review this in the Spring Term.

If you have any queries about the tour, please email Annette at nettinoo@hotmail.com

Magnet Netball Club Tournament 2017

The date has been set for our Club Tournament, which will take place at Furze Platt School on **Saturday 29th April 2017**. We will need lots of helpers, as well as the girls to play, so please pop this date in your dairies now!!

Dads V Daughters ... let the battle begin!

This brilliant idea was the brainchild of Year 9 & 7 dad Paul Matton, and is going to be a regular fixture in the club calendar! After some very serious and hard core training sessions (actually 2 30 minute sessions of utter hilarity!), "The Dads" took to the court against "The Girls"—the Magnet U14 Comp Squad on Sunday 27th November. While The Dads were by no means a push-over, The Girls did triumph, with their winning combination of knowing the rules, sticking to the rules, and being used to 40 mins of netball securing a win! The Dads put up a brilliant effort but eventually lost 17-9 to the girls. However, this was such a success, that we will be running an U13 match in the Spring Term—sign up now Year 8 Dad's!!!



New Email Address for the Club ...

Please use magnetnetballclub@gmail.com for all correspondence with the club, effective

Match Results Autumn Term 2017

	U11 Squad			U12 Squad			U13 Squad			U14 Squad		
	Played	Score	GoG	Played	Score	GoG	Played	Score	GoG	Played	Score	GoG
11/9/16	Rushmoor	M23-0	Amelie	B's Sky	12-24B	Ella				Finch	M36-11	Katie
18/9/16							W'ham R	24-28W	Zoe	W'ham R	M41-25	Beth
26/9/16							W'bridge	M26-18	Lola			
2/10/16	Eagles	5-18E	Chloe	Eagles	1-46E	Zara	Finch G	24-26F	Zoe	Newbury	22-31N	Beth
3/10/16							Crystals	M52-2	Frankie			
16/10/16	Royals	1-22R	Amelia	Royals	M27-21	Luisa	Royals	M45-14	Lucy			
7/11/16							Windsor	M26-7	Frankie			
13/11/16	Woodley	4-17W	Macey	Woodley	M29-27	Harleigh						
14/11/16							SH Wasps	13-19S	Kate			
20/11/16	Finch G	M16-10	Macey	Finch G	M16-10	Ella	Newbury	M29-24	Frankie			
4/12/16							Woodley	M33-30	Millie	Woodley	M29-11	Sophia
5/12/16							Royals	16-21R	Frankie			

Upcoming Events & Fixtures for Your Diary

8/1/17	U13 v Woodley @ Windsor, 9.00am U12 v Woodley @ Windsor, 10.00am U13 v Woodley @ Windsor, 11.30am
9/1/17	U13 v Charters Diamonds @ Charters, 6.15pm
22/1/17	U11 v Royals @ Windsor, 9.00am U12 v Royals @ Windsor, 10.00am U13 v Royals @ Windsor, 11.30am
23/1/17	U13 v Charters Crystals @ Charters, 6.15pm
29/1/17	U12 v Wokingham @ Windsor, 10.00am U13 v Wokingham @ Windsor, 11.30am U14 v Rushmoor @ Yateley School, 10.00am
30/1/17—tbc	U13 v Finch @ Charters, 6.15pm
6/2/17	U13 v Charters Diamonds @ Charters, 6.15pm
20/2/17	U13 v Windsor @ Charters, 6.15pm
25/2/17	U11 v Rushmoor @ Bracknell, 9.00am U12 v B's Sky @ Bracknell, 10.00am U14 v B's Sky @ Bracknell, 11.30am
5/3/17	U11 v Finch @ Windsor, 9.00am U12 v Finch @ Windsor, 10.00am U13 v Finch @ Windsor, 11.30am
6/3/17	U13 v SH Wasps @ Charters, 6.15pm
8/3/17	U10 v Claires Court @ Magnet, 4.30pm
20/3/17	U13 v Finch @ Charters, 6.15pm
27/3/17	U13 v Royals @ Charters, 6.15pm
29/4/17	Magnet NC Tournament, Maidenhead, 9am—4pm

Please let your Team Manager know ASAP if you cannot make any of these dates

Please also see the web site for information on other local holiday training camps including Surrey Storm, England Netball & School of Sport.

Matches in RED are Charters League matches.

Matches in BLACK are Berkshire League Matches

Team League Positions at Christmas

The end of the autumn term marks the half way point in the Berkshire & Charters Leagues for the girls. They will have played every team once, and then play them a second time during the spring term—other than the U14's who only play each team once. Their position in the league at this stage is as follows:

U11 Team

The U11 Team have had a mixed run as they have found their feet as a team and have been thrown straight into a tough Division 1 group. However, as they are currently in the middle of their group, they have everything to play for!

U12 Team

With two exceptionally strong teams in this pool the U12's have had to put two big losses behind them—which they have managed to do, winning their next three games convincingly. They are currently in fourth place.

U13 Team

The U13's lost two incredibly close games by only a couple of goals at the start of the season, but since then, have had four great wins, including a nail biter last weekend to their nemesis Woodley and are currently in second place in the Division.

At Charters, the girls have also only lost two games, and are currently in third position.

U14 Team

The U14's have a strange division this season, where they will only play each team once due to the size of their group. They have had a great season start however, and with just one loss under their belts, currently are in first place in their group.

Merry Christmas

