GRANGERS

YOUTH & JUNIOR NEW PLAYER INFORMATION

Season 26/27

Grangers is a ever growing netball club, and we take pride in offering netball to young players at all stages of their netball journey, while also being the only club in Bedfordshire with squads representing in the East youth and senior regional leagues. All players within the club have access to regular training and match play in local leagues, with our regional squad selection open to all.

If you are the parent or guardian of a player hoping to join us, please read on for more information about our training and membership. There are links to our interest forms at the end of the document, please complete the correct form for the players age. We will use these details to contact you if there is a space available or to secure a space on the wait list should we currently be full.

Training

All our club training is a Lincroft Academy, Oakley

The majority of our Youth (year 9-11) and Junior (year 4-8) players train on a Friday evening, For the first 5 weeks (until mid October), sessions will be outdoors at Lincroft Academy New Field and then all sessions will move indoors at Lincroft Academy until after Easter, when the light returns and we head back outside.

Any prospective players will be invited to attend two sessions to see if they like us and want to become members. Adults are welcome to stay and watch any outdoor sessions, but unfortunately we do not have space for this once indoors.

Training Times

OUTDOORS

		Friday
Start	**End**	**Year Group**
17:30	18:30	Year 6 & Below
17:45	18:45	Year 7 & 8
17:45	18:45	Year 9, 10 & 11

INDOORS

		Tuesday	Friday
Start	**End**	**Year Group**	**Year Group**
17:30	18:30		Year 6 & Below
18:30	19:30	U14/ U15 (regional select)	Year 7 & 8
19:30	20:30		Year 9, 10 & 11

We will be asking all players to remain with their parents/guardians in their cars in the car park until the court area is clear from the previous session and their coach has invited them inside.

Please ensure players arrive at sessions ready to warm up (trainers on, all jewellery (including earrings) removed, water bottle filled etc) so we can use the full session time as planned.

We ask that any player feeling unwell does not attend training to keep the whole group healthy.

Fees

Training fees are typically collected as a termly payment and are paid online to the club account. Payment guarantees a player a space at the club and in their relevant training session.

£15 registration fee – This fee will help cover the costs of first aid, safety and cleaning equipment used during training and matches, and the upkeep and replacement of training equipment (balls, bibs etc). For any families with multiple Grangers members, registration fees are £15 for the first member and £10 per any subsequent member.

£150 training fees – paid £70 at the start of September, £50 at the start of January, £35 during the Easter break.

We try to keep the cost of Grangers to a minimum, and have been lucky to be able to keep our fees with minimal increase since the Junior club began over 20 years ago! Sessions for all age groups are 1 hour long, and work out at around £5 per session over the whole season.

We will adjust training fees for players starting mid-term to reflect your start date.

Matches

Grangers players represent the club in the Bedford local leagues, as well as the East regional senior and youth leagues.

Youth league is for players in school years 9-11 and runs from September through to Easter on a Wednesday evening.

Junior league is for players in years 4-8 and runs on a Sunday morning from mid February through to early June.

Each season we enter as many squads as we have players for into the local leagues, played at Bedford Academy. We often have squads spread across all divisions, allowing everyone to compete at a level that is suitable for them. League entry is around £28 per player, with a £3.50 match fee to cover umpiring costs.

All players will be asked to commit to joining one of our league squads in order to secure a place at the club.

Kit

We offer a range of club kit at Grangers, including polo shirts and skorts, dresses, hoodies, coats and kit bags.

No kit is compulsory for the majority of the club, with the exception being regional players who must have a dress.

Kit prices can be found on our website, and seen on players and coaches at training.

England Netball Membership

Once players have been to a couple of training sessions and decide to join Grangers, they will need to purchase their membership to England Netball.

This is a membership to England Netball for a season, and gives players great benefits ranging from early access to international tickets, insurance cover for injury sustained while playing netball, insurance cover for their club and coaches, and recently access to online fitness and coaching sessions in the VNC (virtual netball club).

EN membership is roughly £5 - £25 for junior and youth players, depending on age group.

SPOND

Once a player has attended a couple of sessions and decided they want to become a member of Grangers, we will ask for affiliation to be completed and the registration fee to be paid. We will then send an invitation to join SPOND. We will be using SPOND to organise training and match availability and attendance this season. This allows players to book and confirm their attendance prior to training and matches, which will be compulsory.

As a club, we will then be able to monitor session numbers, take attendance at the sessions and have emergency contact information to hand.

Once a player is registered to the club, we will send you a link to follow via email to join the group. You can choose between downloading the SPOND app, or using their website.

Registration of Interest

If after reading a bit more about our club you are still interested in joining Grangers for both training and match play, please complete the correct age group interest form linked below.

If we have any places currently available for your requested session we will be in touch shortly to invite the player to a couple of sessions to make sure we are a good fit.

Should the relevant session be at capacity right now, we will transfer your details to our wait list and be in touch later in the season if a space becomes available. Please do not complete another form if you do not hear from us as this will put you to the bottom of the wait list. We will ONLY be in touch when we have a space available for a player and cannot reply to every new player email.

Year 4/5/6 Year 7/8 Year 9/10/11