

DEAR JUNIOR HOCKEY PLAYERS,



Worcestershire will be hosting Academy Centre Assessments on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> October and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> October. If you have attended our Development Centres over the summer and September, have previously been part of the Player Pathway, or have been recommended by your club or school you are invited to attend an assessment to determine selection for the Academy Centre. This is the next step along the Player Pathway. If you are not selected for an Academy Centre do not worry, you should continue to develop your hockey through school, club and further Development Centre activity.

Players should attend the assessment session appropriate to their gender and year of birth. In order to progress to the next stage in the Player Pathway (Academy Centre) all players **must** have an assessment.

#### 2017 ACADEMY ASSESSMENT DATES:

There will be no deselection for **GOALKEEPERS** at this stage. All goalkeepers are still encouraged to attend their relevant age group and gender assessment session.

BOYS			
YEAR OF BIRTH	DATE	VENUE	TIME
2001/2 (U17/U16)	13 <sup>th</sup> October	Stourport Sports Club	7-8.30pm
2003 (U15)	13 <sup>th</sup> October	Stourport Sports Club	7-8.30pm
2004 (U14)	6 <sup>th</sup> October	Bromsgrove School	7-8.30pm
2005/6 (U13)	6 <sup>th</sup> October	Bromsgrove School	7-8.30pm
GIRLS			
YEAR OF BIRTH	DATE	VENUE	TIME
2001/2 (U17/U16)	13 <sup>th</sup> October	Stourport Sports Club	7-8.30pm
2003 (U15)	6 <sup>th</sup> October	Malvern College	7-8.30pm
2004 (U14)	6 <sup>th</sup> October	Malvern College	7-8.30pm
2005/6 (U13)	6 <sup>th</sup> October	Stourport Sports Club	7-8.30pm

#### What to do now:

1. If you haven't already done so please register or update your details on-line ([www.EHBplayersystem.co.uk](http://www.EHBplayersystem.co.uk)) and ensure this is completed before you attend the assessment session so that we have up to date emergency contact details.
2. Attend the appropriate assessment session. Please arrive at 6.45pm in order to register before the on pitch session. There is no charge for the assessment session.

Coaches and Coach Assistants will be at all of the venues to register players and answer any queries. There is further information about the Player Pathway available on the England Hockey website <http://www.englandhockey.co.uk/page.asp?section=2132>.

Once the Academy Assessments have taken place further details will be sent to all selected players confirming Academy Centre dates and venues. Further Development Centre information will be sent to any players who are not selected for the Academy Centre at this stage.

Yours faithfully,

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