

Sheffield Hockey Club - Junior Section

We all have a role to play

Our aim is to develop lifelong hockey players by prioritising enjoyment and development of junior athletes as both people and players.



We choose to prioritise:

1. **Effort and enjoyment**
2. Helping to **develop** juniors as **people**
3. Helping to **develop** juniors as **players**

Coaches and Volunteers:

- Apply the **Golden Thread** and **make it fun**
- Allow children to play with freedom
- Aim to develop the whole child
- Focus on the development and enjoyment of each and every child.

Parents and Supporters:

- Support, encouragement and praise for **all** junior players (whatever their team)
- Model great behaviours for our children by respecting coaches and officials.
- Let children make their own decisions on the pitch - it is how they learn and develop!

Junior Players:

- Enjoy yourself
- Try your very best
- Help other people on your team to be their best
- Respect and be kind to players, coaches, umpires and parents.

We actively support our coaches to take England Hockey Coaching Courses and provide mentoring opportunities for them

We help to develop our older junior players by providing coaching and umpiring opportunities for younger age groups.

We welcome involvement from parents:

Can you help to coach?

Can you help to umpire?

Can you help to manage a team?

We support junior player progression through South Yorkshire Academy Centre (county hockey), Talent Academy, and National Age Group Squads

If interested in any of these opportunities for yourself or your child, please contact the Junior Coordinators or lead contact for your age group.