

Minis Newsletter November 2017

Ealing Minis Festival Saturday 18 & Sunday 19 2017

Registration from 08:30 Kick off 09:30 on both days. [Information Pack](#)



Saturday 18th	Sunday 19th
Under 7s	Under 8s
Under 9s	Under 10s
Under 11s	

Age-group coaches will communicate logistics for meeting up etc. **There will be no training therefore next Sunday for any teams at Grasshoppers (including Knee Highs).** Best wishes to all players and parents for the tournament this week.

Grasshoppers Minis Tour 2017/18

Many thanks to all of you who have registered and paid a deposit for this season's MINIS TOUR. After lots of hard work by Laura Curtin and her team, we are looking forward to the Camber Sands Tournament on the weekend of 4-7 May 2018. In order to share important information regarding our preparation and fundraising for the tour we will hold an information session after training in the clubhouse on Sunday 3 December. Any questions about the tour will be addressed in this session.



Grasshoppers MINIS Christmas Raffle

Club representatives will be selling raffle tickets for the Grasshoppers MINIS Big Christmas Raffle. Lots of amazing prizes including international and premiership rugby tickets, Waltz Disney merchandise and other attractive goodies. Raffle tickets will cost £2 (for a strip of 5) and £5 for 3 strips. All proceeds go towards MINIS TOUR fundraising efforts. Prizewinners will be drawn at the Christmas Party on Sunday 17 December.



Winter is Here!

The cold and wet weather is upon us. Players are required to wear warm and weather-appropriate clothes for training. Please ensure **players also bring a change of clothing (dry track bottoms, top and dry footwear) to change into after training sessions.** Not only is this best for their health but it also ensures that the clubhouse facilities are kept clean and tidy for all to use and enjoy.

A reminder to also keep buggies, bikes and equipment bins off the main pitches as tracks left damage the playing surface.

Grasshoppers Christmas Party



This year's Grasshoppers Children's Christmas Party takes place on Sunday 17th December from 15:00 until 18:00. The party is for primary school children from MINIS, and families of senior rugby and netball members. Come along for an afternoon of fun and festivities with a special appearance by you know who!

Fixtures for the coming weeks (also on Grasshoppers website)

	KHs	U7s	U8s	U9s	U10s	U11s	U12s
Sat 17 Nov	X	EALING	X	EALING	X	EALING	X
Sun 18 Nov	X	X	EALING	X	EALING	X	X
Sun 26 Nov	Home Training (hosting Staines RFC)				London Irish Fixture	HOME	HOME
Sun 3 Dec	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME
Sun 10 Dec	Home Training Session with Twickenham RFC						
Sun 17 Dec	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME	HOME
Sun 24 Dec	No training - Happy Christmas!						

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