



GEORGE SALTER ACADEMY POST 16 FOOTBALL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME NEWSLETTER
In Association with The Albion Foundation

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Overview

We are very pleased to announce the incredible success of our Post 16 Football Development Programme in association with The Albion Foundation. Firstly we offer huge congratulations to all our students who worked exceptionally hard with Head Coach, Josh Bird throughout the year. They have trained hard and performed to a level that has far outweighed our high expectations. Further to this, our students have been a credit to themselves by refereeing matches and tournaments, supporting extra-curricular activities, representing our fabulous academy at formal events as well as organising and leading our Under 13 Football Tournaments.



Results / Fixtures



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GSA	3	V	5	Sandwell Academy
GSA	3	V	0	Ormiston Forge
GSA	2	V	2	Streetly

Fixtures

In line with the latest Government advice on the outbreak of COVID-19 all upcoming fixtures are postponed until further notice.



Student Quote "I've really enjoyed the training sessions, as well as the opportunities that this programme has offered me – especially the referee course which has allowed me to earn money at the weekend refereeing local matches".

Events & Guest Speakers



Our fantastic facilities and dedicated funding arrangements have allowed us to host The FA's Basic Referee's Course, provide us with the opportunity to take our students on a number of trips, as well as having the pleasure of welcoming a range of guest speakers to GSA this year as part of the Football Development Programme.

Our students have successfully participated on The FA's Basic Referee's Course, allowing them to referee both school fixtures and fixtures for Birmingham FA. This year has also seen our students visit Birmingham University and use the local YMCA's facilities as part of the programme.

Furthermore, our students have had the pleasure of welcoming a range of guest speakers to GSA, including; Alan Wiley (former Premier League referee), Russ Smith (FA Mentor) and numerous staff from West Bromwich Albion Football Club, to develop their wider understanding of sporting career opportunities.



Up Next...



As we progress into the next academic year, we are excited to announce that we will see more trips, more guest speakers, more courses and more opportunities for our students to develop and reach their full potential.



September will provide our students with the opportunities to visit Manchester City's academy, experience a range of university visits in addition to a number of exciting guest speakers.

Guest speakers will include American scholarship opportunities, data analysts, UEFA qualified coaches and many more.

Finally, our ongoing positive relationship with West Bromwich's YMCA will see our students using their gym facilities on a regular basis, ensuring they are able to perform at peak performance throughout the year.

Applications Forms for our Football Development Programme can be found on our website, or call Mr Bishton on 0121 553 4665



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