



May 2024

Dear Primary 7 Pupil Parent/Carer,

Here at Earlston High School we provide an extra-curricular hockey programme, which is open for all pupils to enjoy regardless of their prior experience, running from August through to April. Each year group, coached by a volunteer member of staff, has one training session per week after school (from 4pm until 5:15pm). Regular fixtures are also played against other schools throughout the season on Friday afternoons and Saturday mornings. Training and fixtures will commence the week beginning 19<sup>th</sup> August.

When taking part in extra-curricular hockey pupils may borrow a hockey stick but all players must wear a gum shield and shin guards at both training and matches. For training we ask pupils to wear appropriate PE kit for the weather and trainers/astros suitable for astroturf. Pupils will be advised if they are playing on grass, on these occasions football boots are recommended. All players representing the school at fixtures will be asked to wear the school playing strip and these games will be played on a mixture of grass and astroturf surfaces.

The playing kit includes: EHS socks, navy skirt/shorts and the EHS playing top. The EHS hoodie is an **additional item which is not required for playing**. These items can be ordered through the PE department in August once hockey commences.

As a contribution towards the rising costs of transport and equipment, pupils are asked to pay £3.00 for each match they play. This cost can be paid on the day or will be added to Parent Pay at the end of each term. If you have any problems in meeting this cost, please contact me at the school.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me at school.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'L Miller'.

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