



MONKWEARMOUTH
FOOTBALL
ACADEMY



Our Vision

A school at the heart of the community, renowned for academic and sporting achievement.

The programme is led by a team of highly skilled and experienced coaches, teachers and staff with a long-term commitment to support the individuals combined academic and football development the way through to their Year 11 studies.

This vision is underpinned by a joint commitment from the school and football academy to build the best learning environments for passionate young players to be the best they can be.



Core Values

- **People** – Players, Parents, Teachers, Coaches, Community
- **Purpose** – Every person playing their part, knowing their responsibilities
- **Pride** – proud to be part of Monkwearmouth Academy

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Philosophy

A clear vision, identity and culture of providing opportunities and provision in community, education and player development. Inspiring, supporting and developing individuals in a fun, non-threatening, educational and challenging environment.

We want to provide opportunity within our core values to ensure a lifelong love of the game and aim to be the best academy in an educational setting.

- To support, develop and welcome passionate young players
- To play with a freedom and enjoyment which promote a no fear failure
- To be expressive, imaginative and creative



Academy Structure

Academy Structure – 3 main pathways



Development Pathway
(Year 5/6)



Elite Pathway
(Year 7-11)

Development Pathway

Year 5 - 6

- **Relationships** - feeder/non-feeder schools, local community/grassroot clubs, Sunderland boys, players, parents
- **Talent ID** – Open trials, invite to Sunderland boys trials, development centre (invite only)

Training Structure

- Open Trials (over two dates)
- Selection process 20/25 places
- Development sessions at the Beacon of Light working with future players



Elite Pathway

Year 7 - 11

- **Participation** – Creating a fun, challenging and positive environment
- **Development** - Providing opportunities to enhance high skilled development
- **Performance** – Developing high standards and performance levels with high demands on the individual

Training Structure

- **One** pre-school session per week
- **Two** after-school sessions per week
- **Two** sessions during curriculum
- Opportunities to represent Monkwearmouth in competitions
- External opportunities at the **Beacon of Light**



Success

What does it look like?

- Production of *Elite* players
- Production of *good people* through the Academy values
- *Value* added to each individual within the academy.
- A *culture* and *identity* which represents the *core values* within the academy
- To be competitive and aim to *win* every competition entered

Educational Success

Enabling all students to achieve their academic potential and gain qualifications appropriate to their skills, talents, academic ability and the changing needs of society as well as preparing them for the next stage in their learning.

Football Success

Develop tactically intelligent and technically efficient footballers, with an abundance of the positions specific qualities necessary to perform consistently at the highest levels of the game

