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Dear Hockey Player

West Bridgford Monarchs Hockey Club Juniors

I am writing to let you know about Coaching for the coming season. I hope that you had a good summer and that you are fit and ready to start.

We will be starting on Sunday, 6th September on the new pitch at **West Bridgford School**. There are some new registration documents to complete this year and, before coming to the pitch, I would be grateful if you could come to the hockey clubhouse to complete them. As parking is restricted at the clubhouse it will be easier if your parents park in the car park in front of the school and for you to walk over to the clubhouse from there. **You will need to have an adult with you to complete the forms.** The clubhouse will be open between 9.00 and 10.00 to issue and receive these forms.

We have also changed the way that you pay for sessions. The membership fee is still £10 but the charge per session has been increased to £1.50. To make it easier all round though, you can also pay for the whole term instead of every week – this works out cheaper if you attend fairly regularly, but you must make this payment during September, preferably on registration day. If you pay this way the cost is £16; (ie £26 inc registration). Cheques should be made payable to WBMHC.

I am also hoping to open the clubhouse each week so that parents can shelter from the sun (!) while waiting for you. However, I need you to persuade your mum or dad to volunteer to look after the clubhouse (doesn't have to be every week, just occasionally on a rota would help) so that we can do this.

As you know, we have now achieved the Clubs First accreditation, which means that Sport England and England Hockey recognize that we are a well run club. Congratulations also to Pete Bonnett, Ian Johnson, Phil Elliott, Tom Kirkman, Liz Abba and Chris Dibley, who have all been awarded various coaching badges over the past few months.

We will be playing as many games as we can this season, but we do depend on parents to help with transport when we are playing away. This can involve fairly long journeys as there are not that many junior hockey clubs nearby. We also welcome parental helpers and will give plenty of guidance to anyone wanting to do this. You or your parents can find out more about the club on our website, www.wbhockey.co.uk which also has copies of all relevant club policies.

I look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Best wishes

Bob Douglas