



BUCKS CRICKET

Player Pathway Information Webinar

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BUCKS CRICKET PATHWAY PROGRAMMES

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SKILL & GAME ZONES – extra performance coaching for players in/close to pathway through the winter

BOYS STATE SCHOOL HUBS – extra performance coaching for Pathway Boys U14-16 at State Schools in April, May and September

BUCKS PATHWAY AGE GROUP SQUADS U11-U18
Boys: 4x Regions at U11, U12 & U13, County U12 & U13, County & Development U14, U15, U16, U17 Development, U18
Girls: County and Development U11, U12, U13, County & Development U15, U18

BUCKS MIDWEEK TRAINING PROGRAMME

BUCKS EMERGING PLAYERS PROGRAMME

BUCKS MENS 1ST & 2ND XIs

NORTHANTS CCC ACADEMY

BUCKS WOMEN

SOUTHERN VIPERS EPP & ACADEMY

MCC FOUNDATIONS HUBS
For Non-Pathway State School cricketers:
Boys U14 & U16,
Girls U10-16
2 Hubs: MK & Bucks

CLUB (& SCHOOL) CRICKET

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NORTHANTS CCC ACADEMY Partnership

BUCKS WOMEN

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Fire for the future. 🔥

We're delighted to confirm young fast bowler Raphy Weatherall has signed his first professional contract with the club. 🏏

Read more nccc.co.uk/news/weatherall...



Find out more about how players progress through Bucks Cricket Pathway programmes into professional cricket here:
<https://buckscricket.co.uk/pages/pathway-player-progression>

Our Mission



At Bucks Cricket we love to see young people enjoy playing the game, learning and challenging themselves to be the best cricketers they can be to realise their potential.

The Bucks Cricket Player Pathway exists to support these goals with the aim of providing:

- Opportunities for high potential and/or high performing players to learn & train together in a high challenge/high support environment.
- Development opportunities through competitive match play for as many players as possible, for as long as possible, within our resources and dependent on the age and stage of the player.
- A holistic approach to player development.
- Support from qualified, passionate coaches with a diverse range of cricketing backgrounds and skill sets.
- Routes into the professional game and Bucks Men's and Women's teams.



Annual Cycle



Benchmarking Phase –
Observation Days
(August/September)

Competition Phase -
Regional & County
Matches (April-August)

Winter Training Phase
1 (October-December)

It is vital all players and
parents understand that
selection is only
guaranteed for one yearly
cycle.

Winter Training Phase
2 (January – April)

County Squad
Selection (December)



Competition Phase



U11-13s

- Matchday programme based on squad size, allowing for equitable playing opportunity within each squad (where availability allows)
- Matchday squads based on rotation **not** selection
- Matchday roles are based on players doing more of what they do best (what their selection was based on) whilst also incorporating some opportunities in other roles.

U14-18s

- Matchdays consist of a mixture of ECB Competitions (Boys u14, u16 & u18 and Girls u15 & u18) & friendly fixtures.
- Matchday squads for ECB Competition fixtures are based on performance.
- Matchday roles are based on balancing individual development and how individuals can best serve the needs of the team to impact games.

Competitive matches are key to aid player learning and development, County teams should play to win but are not win at all costs. Coaches are not judged on wins & losses.

Bucks Teams and Players should aim to play with:



Commitment **A smile** Discipline

Intensity Clarity

Positive Intent Respect

Energy

Selflessness Fearlessness Pride

Support for others Adaptability

Effort **Independance**

Self-motivation



Selection Framework:

<https://bucks cricket.co.uk/pages/pathway-selection-framework>

BATTERS

- Clean ball-striking
- Balance – Alignment – Back-swing (technique)
- Running between wickets/athleticism
- Adult league cricket focus for U15+



FAST BOWLERS

- Pace
- Control
- Movement of the ball
- Alignment of run-up, and action at the crease, to the batter
- Wicket-takers



SPIN BOWLERS

- Spin the ball hard - revolutions
- Drift and Spin – ball-flight up-and-down at pace
- Alignment of run-up and action at the crease to the batter



ATHLETIC FIELDERS



How as a parent can you help your child develop?



Tactically

- Develops through game play/match scenarios.
- Ask children questions to promote self-reflection, rather than telling them what you think they should do.

Mentally

- Help build resilience.
- Praise effort over outcomes/results.
- Embrace setbacks as an important learning experience.

Physically

- Encourage good habits/routine.
- Consistency is key.
- Develop through a range of sports.

Lifestyle

- Diet.
- Hydration.
- Sleep.
- Balance of activities.

Technically

- Allow players to take ownership. (Guided by coaches)
- Feed balls, hit catches, video for player to review.
- Let players work it out for themselves.



How parents can give their child the best chance of success on match days.



- Arrive on time as a minimum (ideally 10 mins ahead of time)
- Ensure players have everything they need for the day – Kit, Food, Drink & Sunscreen.
- If spectating, sit well away from both teams.
- Encourage players to always sit with their team (and coaches) during the batting innings.
- Encourage and support all players.
- Model positive body language.
- Ensure you adhere to the Bucks Cricket Code of Conduct.
- Relax and enjoy watching your child do what they love.
- After the game, ask if they had fun & what they learned



BUCKS CRICKET PATHWAY COACHES

**Player Pathway
Manager**
James Savory



MALE PATHWAY

Men's 1st and 2nd XI Head Coach: Jason Harrison
Men's Assistant Coach: Simon Stanway
Boys U18 Manager: Jason Harrison
Boys U18s Lead Coach: Malcolm Roberts
Boys U16 Manager: James Savory
Boys U16 Coach: Kieran Smith
Boys U15s Manager: Rich Hudson
Boys U15 Coach: Pradeesh Surendran
Boys U14s County Manager: Justin Pieris
Boys U14 Coach: Harvinder Singh
Boys U14 Development Manager: Stuart McLaughlin
Boys U13 County Manager: James Savory
Boys U12 County Manager: George Morris
Boys U12 County Coach: James Clarke
Boys U11-13 North Manager: James Savory
Boys U11-13 South Manager: James Clarke
Boys U11-13 West Manager: Harry Gadsby
Boys U11-13 East Manager: George Morris
Boys U11-13 North Coach: Joseph Rance
Boys U11-13 East Coach: Geoff Watts
Boys U11-13 South Coach: Obaid Sarwar
Boys U11-13 West Coach: Ricardo Mohamed

FEMALE PATHWAY

Women's Head Coach: Jason Harrison
Girls U15 County/Development & U18 Manager: Chloe Hill
Girls U15 & U18 Coach: Ben Ungaretti
Girls U13 Manager & Girls U12 Coach: Paul Loveland
Girls U12 Manager & Girls U13 Coach: Emily Hunt
Girls U11 Manager: Maisie Taylor
Girls U11 Coaches: Maddi Connor & Paul Maddock

Head of Performance
Jason Harrison

