

### Welcome to Waitemata FC

We are delighted to have both new and returning members joining us on this journey as we embark on another season of fun, learning, passion, teamwork, and dedication, and make 2024 a memorable and successful one!

To our new members, we extend a warm greeting and express our gratitude for choosing Waitemata FC as your football home. We are confident that you will find a community here that is committed to both individual and collective growth, on and off the field.

For our returning members, welcome back! Your experience, skills, and camaraderie are invaluable to the club. Let's build on the foundations we've laid in previous seasons and aim for even more success in 2024.



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### **OPEN DAY**

Get ready for a super fun morning filled with fun, football, and festivities! This is a fantastic opportunity for our community to come together, whether you're a player, supporter, or someone curious about the beautiful game!

Date: Sunday 3rd March Time: 10am - 12pm Location: McLeodPark

Activities Galore:

- Come JUMP, BOUNCE and FLIP on the bouncy castle!
- Our youth & senior players will be leading engaging and fun football stations. Whether you're a seasoned player or just starting, there's something for everyone!
- Mini Matches: Experience the thrill of playing with and against some of our youth and senior players.
- Fun Challenges: Test your shooting and passing accuracy, in various football-themed challenges.
- What's a celebration without some delicious food? Enjoy a complimentary sausage sizzle, courtesy of Waitemata FC.

How to Participate: Just show up!

The Open Day is open to everyone in the community. Bring your friends, family, and a whole lot of enthusiasm for a day filled with football fun.

This is a fantastic opportunity to meet fellow club members, learn more about our programs, and immerse yourself in the vibrant spirit of Waitemata Football Club.

Let's kick off the season together in style! Spread the word, mark your calendars, and get ready for an epic day of football festivities. See you there!

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Muster sessions are designed for junior and youth community players born between 2007-2015.]

These are fun sessions designed to get everyone together, kick the ball around, and find the team that will provide the best experience for our players for the season ahead.

### LITTLE LEAGUE (BORN 2019/20) STARTS SAT 27 APRIL | 8.30-9.30AM | MCLEOD PARK

#### FIRST KICKS (BORN 2016-18)

WEDNESDAY 3, 10, 17, 24 APRIL | 5-6PM | MCLEOD PARK

### **JUNIORS (BORN 2012-15)**

5, 12, 19 MARCH | 5-6PM | RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

#### **GIRLS ONLY JUNIORS**

6, 13, 20 MARCH | 5-6PM | RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

## YOUTH (BORN 2009-11)

7, 14, 21 MARCH | 5-6PM | RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

**YOUTH GIRLS ONLY** 6, 13, 20 MARCH | 5-6PM | RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

#### YOUTH 15TH GRADE CHAMPIONSHIP (BORN 2009) 15 & 20 FEB | 5.30-7PM | RUTHERFORD COLLEGE

#### YOUTH 17TH GRADE NRF CONFERENCE To be announced



### **FIRST KICKS**

There are no set teams in 6-8th grade. Players will be mixed within their age grade in training and on game day. This will help the children develop the social skills, resilience, make loads of new friends and learn from a variety of different coaches.

#### 6-8th Grade Training:

Training every Wednesday from 5-6pm at McLeod Park starting Wednesday 3rd April.

#### Games Day:

6th grade (born 2018) play their games at Waitemata FC, McLeod Park, from 8.30-9.30pm every Saturday in term 2 & 3.

7th grade (born 2017) play their games at Oratia United FC, Parrs Park, from 8.30-9.30pm every Saturday morning during term 2 & 3.

8th grade (born 2016) play their games at Waitemata FC, McLeod Park, from 8.30-9.30pm every Saturday morning during term 2 & 3.



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## JUNIORS

Waitemata FC does not have A, B or C teams in the 9-12th grade. Teams are selected based on the following criteria:

- friendship groups
- association to the coach
- best experience for player
- general allocation

We will always do our best to ensure your child/ren are allocated in their preferred coach or with their friends.

Training day/s and times will be announced once the children have been placed into teams and the coach is announced. Training will work around the coaches schedule.

## YOUTH

Youth teams are graded by Northern Regional Football (NRF). The top two teams in each league competition will be either promoted or relegated. All youth teams play on a Saturday or Sunday based on the level of competition.

Youth teams are selected on the following criteria:

- The level of competition being appropriate to the players attitude, commitment and ability
- The best experience for player
- Friendship groups (community competition only)
- Expectation around training attendance and level of commitment - teams playing a higher level of competition may be required to train more often with an added expectation of individual training and fitness in your own time.



### FIRST KICKS

6th Grade	3v3	3 x 15 minute games
7th Grade	5v5	4 x 10 minute games
8th Grade	5v5	3 x 15 minute games

### JUNIORS

9th / 10th grade	7∨7	2 x 25 minute halves
11th / 12th grade	9v9	2 x 30 minute halves

For more information on the playing format and rules of First Kicks and Junior football, click <u>here</u>.

### YOUTH

13th grade girls	9v9	2 x 30 minute halves
13th grade	11v11	2 x 30 minute halves
14th grade	11v11	2 x 35 minute halves
15th grade	11v11	2 x 40 minute halves
16/17th grade	11v11	2 x 45 minute halves



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#### **Coaches / Assistants / Team Managers**

All Waitemata FC coaches, Assistants & Team Managers are volunteer parents or people who are passionate about ensuring our young footballers have the opportunity to play football in a fun & safe environment whilst having a great time, making new friends, keeping fit & active & learning new football skills & techniques.

Our volunteers embody the spirit of community & sportsmanship, investing their efforts to nurture player talents & potential. Their selfless contributions create an environment where players can thrive, learn, & grow not only as footballers but as individuals.

Throughout junior and youth football, your child will be asked to play in a variety of positions on the field. This is part of their development as rounded footballers. Understanding other positions will help in their understanding of their preferred position.

We are always looking for help to run our football teams. All with the support of the club Director Of Football. If you are interested in becoming a coach, assistant coach or team manager, contact Dan - dof@waitematafc.org.nz





### UNIFORM

All Waitemata FC players are required to wear the club playing shirt, red shorts and red socks.

Uniform is available from the club tuck shop (limited stock available) or click <u>here</u> to purchase online.

#### **FEES**

Little league (born 2019/20) - FREE First Kicks 6th grade (born 2018) - FREE First Kicks 7th/8th grade (born 2016/17) - \$95 / Girls \$47.50 Juniors 9-12th grade (born 2012-15) - \$175 / Girls \$87.50 Youth 13-17th grade (2007-11) - \$195 / Girls \$97.50

Fees are now to be paid in the registration process. If you would like to set to up a payment plan, contact admin@waitematafc.org.nz to arrange.

If you have difficulty paying fees, contact dof@waitematafc.org.nz

## **KEY CONTACTS**

Club President - president@waitematafc.org.nz

Administrator/Registrations - admin@waitematafc.org.nz

Director Of Football - <u>dof@waitematafc.org.nz</u>

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