



## Welcome to the first newsletter for CPFC and NWCP

Firstly we would like to clarify the difference between the two programmes and update you on both

### NWCP



**North West Cerebral Palsy (NWCP)** is a Centre of Excellence (C.O.E) program and is funded by the FA. It is part of the National Talent program pathway. Both (U16 & Adults) play in the FA National CP league at a fixture program held once a month at various venues.

The adult squad compete within a competitive league and the U16 is non-competitive.

Both squads also compete in the National Cup at the end of each season held at the FA's National training and education complex St. Georges Park

- § Sessions run every Saturday 10 – 12 @ Partington Sports Village
- § Fixtures are held the third Saturday of each month (except December)
- § There will be sports science/education days, will be held at MMU in Crewe on the following dates Sat 29<sup>th</sup> November, Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> January, Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> February and Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> March.

We ask that each player selected to represent the NW in the Centre of Excellence contribute £30 per year via 3 x £10 donations. Due to the C.O.E having no "host" this year we will need all payments to be made online via the process shown on the separate sheet at the back of this newsletter.

Players and parents/spectators will also be asked to contribute small fee if travelling on the coach to fixtures. This will be a £5 fee and will go into the CPFC budget to help sustain the club.



North West FA Centre of Excellence for CP



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# News:

## NWCP Welcomes:

We would like to officially welcome back all players who have been with us for some years now in the talent program and also welcome all new players into the centre. As ever please keep standards high on and off the pitch, look after each other and please contact us at any time if you ever have any questions.

We would also like to officially welcome our new staff into the centre. Pete Nicholls and James Wilcock who will work with Michelle as part of the coaching staff in the U16 (and younger) ...and Jack O'Brien and Dan Elbourne are our new sports science support from MMU and we look forward to working with them this season, I am sure you will all make them feel welcome J

## Achievements:

§ NWCP senior squad were invited to play against the England senior CP squad last month as part of their 4 day training camp. All players represented the centre very well both on and off the pitch...well done to all who took part.

§ Also in recent months NWCP were asked by the FA to showcase CP football and the talent pathway in England at the SoccerEX event held at the Etihad stadium. A few players from both squads attended and played alongside 3 England players, one of which came through the NWCP centre himself just a few years ago. This was a fantastic experience for staff and players alike and a testament to the hard work you are all putting in, so again....Well Done!



§ England Call Ups:- 3 of our senior players have recently been called up to the England senior CP squad training camps...well done to: Jordan Raynes, Michael Cartmell and Dale Smith

## Social:

We will be arranging some social time for the players leading up to Christmas, please let us know what it is you would like to do and we will get the information and arrangements out in the Decembers Newsletter.

## New Venue – Partington Sports Village:

This season we will be using Partington Sports Village as our base venue. This may be new to some players and parents and familiar to others. Regardless there are several scenarios that everyone needs to be aware –

- § The venue is a shared venue with Manchester United Girls who similar to ourselves have the venue as a base for their centre of excellence program. When they are also on site please be patient, careful, respectful and pleasant to anyone around the site.
- § If the Manchester United Girls are hosting fixtures and the site is extremely busy the usual pavilion changing rooms will be out of use so please use the leisure centre changing facilities.
- § It is also a community Leisure centre and as above please be patient, careful, respectful and pleasant to anyone around the site.
- § Parking can be an issue, so again please be patient and if there are no spaces on the football centre car park please try the leisure centre or school around the back
- § Often there are adult male games being played on a Saturday afternoon on the grass pitches. We will try to lock doors when appropriate and use signs to define where and what changing rooms we have, however we would advise not leave any valuables in your bags unattended in the changing rooms.

Thanks in advance for all your co-operation on this