

Exeter Gymnastics Club

INTRODUCTORY LETTER TO PARENTS/GUARDIANS

Dear Parents/Guardian of new members joining Exeter GC,

On behalf of Exeter Gymnastics Club I am pleased to welcome your child as a new member of the club.

The aim of the club is to provide a safe, effective and child friendly environment in which the members can participate in Pre-School, General and Artistic Gymnastics activities under the guidance of appropriately qualified coaches.

We operate an open philosophy and welcome the support of parents or guardians. Wherever possible we will enable you to observe training sessions provided that it does not contravene our Health and Safety regulations and we do have two open weeks each year for parents to watch recreational sessions. We also encourage and value parental involvement in the club.

The members of the club are organised into groups according to their age, gender, ability, experience and individual needs and coaches will be pleased to discuss the training programmes and your child's needs with you. Please see the club 'Group Organisation Tree' displayed on the club notice board.

We provide a child centred, coach led programme and will endeavour to help your child develop to their optimum level of performance. Our coaches are all British Gymnastics qualified coaches at the appropriate level and have been screened for their suitability to work with children. A Welfare Officer, Mrs Beverley Spragg, has been appointed by the club to deal with any safety issues. Arrangements should be made to escort your child to and from training sessions and events. We would appreciate your child arriving and being collected promptly.

Training times are indicated on the attached Registration Form, but if you have difficulties please contact the coaching director.

Participants are required to be appropriately dressed in gymnastic attire, but sensitive discretion within the bounds of reasonable safety, will be shown in particular circumstances.

The club has adopted the BG policies for Child Protection, Equity and Codes of Conduct and all officials, coaches, members and parents must adhere to these policies.

The annual registration fee includes membership of BG and this encompasses appropriate insurance for your child and the club.

We would be grateful if you would complete the attached club registration form and return it together with any fees to the Coaching Director.

Yours sincerely,

Mike Euridge
Coaching Director
Exeter GC

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REGISTRATION AND PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

We are pleased to welcome your child to the club and would be grateful if you would complete the details below. If you are under 16 years of age, please ask your parent or guardian to sign on your behalf.

A : Personal Details of Member

Male ?

Female ?

Full Name: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Address: _____

Postcode: _____

Home Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Who to contact in an emergency: _____ Tel No: _____

I can confirm that my child is physically fit and healthy to participate in the activities offered at the Exeter Gymnastics Club. ?

Do you consider your child to have a disability? Yes ?

No ?

If "yes" please state the nature of the disability:

Please state any medical condition that the coaches may need to be aware of:

In order to help our club monitor its membership please tick one of the boxes to identify your ethnic group:

Bangladeshi ?	Black African ?	Black Caribbean ?	Black Other ?
Chinese ?	Indian ?	Pakistani ?	Asian Other ?
White British ?	White European ?	White non European ?	Other ?

B : PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT

Gymnastics activities have an inherent risk of injury and although the club will endeavour to minimise any risk, accidents may still happen. It is incumbent on all members to abide by the safety rules and codes of conduct at all times. The participant/parents are required to ensure that the member is physically fit and healthy to participate, particularly after illness or injury.

In signing this participation agreement I declare that I understand the element of risk and I am willing to participate and will adhere to the safety rules and codes of conduct. I also agree to the operation of the Club CCTV policy covering the reception, viewing area and the training areas.

Name of Parent/Guardian: _____

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please return to the Coaching Director/Administrator together with appropriate fees. Thank you.