

## **MINI FESTIVAL**

Last year the Mini's hosted their first festival at the Ivor Preece Field, playing other teams from Northampton and the local area. We had a fabulous day so we're going to have another festival next month. We've already got the teams sorted – one is coming from as far as Somerset! Others are local. This project involves a lot of work for a few people and this year we would like to make it a little work for a lot of people. Please volunteer to help, even a couple of hours before the festival day would be most appreciated. See your coach and he'll direct you to Darryl Sheldon or myself.

## **COMMUNICATION**

Your coach/admin person will try to keep you informed regularly through text messages, e-mails and/or news letters. If you are unsure of anything please feel free to contact them. Most of the coaches will be in the clubhouse after training (they need to collect in equipment and shower themselves), they will always be happy to discuss any points you may have in the bar.

## **COACHING OBJECTIVES**

All of our coaches follow the RFU's Continuum, which dictates the laws for each age group and the skills that are required to play at that age. This ensures that the basic skill such as ball handling, agility and coordination are started from the earliest age and more complex skills are added when they are appropriate for the child's development. If you would like to know more detail your coach will be happy to show you the continuum for your age group.

## **PLEASE HELP YOUR COACH**

Sometimes coaches are so laden down with equipment that they resemble pack horses. If you can offer assistance with carrying equipment, collecting in and sorting playing tops after a match, administration or passing information onto other parents in your child's age group, please offer your help. I know every offer, no matter how small, would be greatly appreciated.

## **LEXUS FESTIVAL**

Later this month, our Junior section are participating in a national competition sponsored by Lexus which will take place in Derby. Within the Coventry area, the Broadstreet section is the only juniors to have been invited to take part. Good luck lads! Do your best and enjoy the experience!!

## **TIGERS COURSE**

Leicester Tigers are running a coaching camp at Broadstreet on 12<sup>th</sup> - 16<sup>th</sup> February (half term)) This will provide excellent supplementary training for any of the players who would like to take their training forward with new coaches, techniques, nutritional information and an insight into Premier rugby. Further details will be available from the club in the near future.

## **SENIOR RUGBY**

Broadstreet will be running four senior teams this season. If you would be interested in playing yourself please let your coach know. The fourth team will be operated on a fairly "social" basis for those who haven't played for a while or don't want to commit to playing every Saturday.

**TO ALL PLAYERS  
GOOD LUCK FOR A SUCCESSFUL SEASON,  
BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY PLAY TO ENJOY!**