

Fencing

at Godstowe

Information for Parents

June 2009

Dear Parents

Fencing at Godstowe takes place on Wednesday afternoons from 5.30 to 6.30pm. Lessons are taught by Jenny Douglas, a British Fencing Association Professional Coach. Girls aged seven years and over start by learning Foil but can progress onto Epee and Sabre in time. All equipment, which includes electric scoring systems, is provided. All equipment meets current FIE and BFA governing body safety regulations and is to competition standard.

Fencing has been available for four years at Godstowe. The primary purpose is for the girls to enjoy the sport and perhaps gain a little in self-assurance. However, despite the fact that sessions are only an hour long, several Godstowe girls have gone on to have medal-winning success in Foil, Epee and Sabre at County, Regional and even National level – at the IAPS, amongst other events. If girls wish to take a more active part in the sport and compete, they will be supported in doing so – at whatever level they choose.

Jenny Douglas, has been involved in fencing for more than 25 years, re-training in 2002 with the Hungarian Olympic Squad coaches as part of the BFA initiative to upgrade the standard of coaching and safety in British fencing. She is BFA registered and has enhanced CRB, First Aid certificate and BFA and Sports Coach UK Child Protection certification. She is qualified to teach Foil, Epee and Sabre to international level and is a support coach, at Foil, for the Tomorrow's Achievers England Youth Squad. She teaches at schools and clubs around Buckinghamshire, Berkshire and Oxfordshire and is a County and Regional Development Coach. She has fencers in the England Foil, Epee and Sabre Squads and the Great Britain squad. Her fencers regularly win medals at National and now International level.

Fencing sessions cost £95 per term with all equipment included. Dress must be appropriate to the sport for safety reasons. Girls should wear practical trainers, tracksuit or similar trousers (no excessive toggles, zips or 'fashion' accessories that could 'catch' and a t-shirt.

If you would like your daughter to fence at Godstowe, please complete the form attached and return it to the address given along with a cheque made payable to Jennifer Douglas for the term's fees.

Please note that a full half term's notice must be given if you wish to withdraw your child from lessons, otherwise you will be charged half a term's fees in lieu. All fees are due before the first lesson of each term.

If you have any queries, please contact Mrs Douglas directly, or leave a message at the School.

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Permission Form

Pupil Name:

Form:

Date of birth:

Address:

Home Phone:

Mobile:

Email Address:

Please list any medical issues which the Fencing teacher should be aware of:

Please list any learning difficulties which the Fencing teacher should be aware of:

Fees will be £95 per term for a weekly one-hour session. Please make cheques payable to Jennifer Douglas.

Termly tuition fees are due prior to the first class each term. A full half term's notice should be given in writing to Mrs Douglas if you wish to withdraw your daughter from lessons, otherwise you will be charged a half term's fees in lieu.

I give permission for my daughter to take part in fencing sessions at Godstowe. I accept that if my child is inappropriately dressed she may not be allowed to take part in a lesson.

Signed

Date:
