

Ellesmere
A 7 – 18 Co-educational School

February 2017

Dear Parents,

We have great pleasure in announcing the launch of the Ellesmere College Football Academy with our Patron, Gareth Barry, of Everton FC. This is a new addition to our sporting offer which we hope will attract both UK and International students. It can also appeal to students who are already studying at Ellesmere.

Starting this September, and in partnership with Edukick Manchester, we will provide 12 to 14 hours of high level, professional football coaching each week, for both boys and girls. Each week students will receive ten hours of professional football coaching (pitch or gym), match play (one game per week), one hour of match analysis and an hour of one to one player mentoring. Edukick has a ten-year track record, enabling young footballers to reach their full footballing potential in both the UK and Internationally.

You are invited to join us on **Wednesday 15th February** at 3:30pm for a short coaching demonstration with senior coach, Jon Macken, former Manchester City and Preston NE forward; followed by a presentation with the Edukick coaching team at **4:30pm in the Sports Hall** classrooms, followed by light refreshments and a Q and A. As this provision is in partnership with Edukick, and they will be supplying the specialist staffing for us, there will be an additional charge for this provision.

As places are limited, please contact <u>olivia.beckett@ellesmere.com</u> for further details and to reserve your place.

"We will provide year round football, fitness testing and skills development, alongside one to one reviews.

Helping players to discover which position they are best equipped to play in and what style of football they want to play.

We instil a confidence and belief in themselves to push on in their career, whatever that may be.

Everything we do is designed to improve the young players' technical ability and understanding."

Jon Macken, former Manchester City & Preston North End

Yours sincerely,

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