

GRASSROOTS

FESTIVAL

2023

Timetable

Saturday 20th May 2023

Girls' U7/U8/ U9/ U10 (5v5)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Girls' U11 (7v7)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Mixed U10 (9v9)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Mixed U14 (11v11)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Mixed U7 (5v5)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Girls' U12 (9v9)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Wot's Up League Festival (7v7)

3:30pm - 5:30pm

Man v Fat Showcase

3:30pm - 5:30pm

Sunday 21st May 2023

Mixed U9 (7v7)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Mixed U11 (9v9)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Mixed U13 (11v1)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Girls U15 (11v11)

10:00am - 12:00pm

Mixed U8 (7v7)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Mixed U12 (9v9)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Mixed U15 (11v11)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Girls' U14 (11v11)

1:00pm - 3:00pm

Hashtag - #SFAGRF23

Thinking of taking photographs? Please share on Social Media but only tag your own family



Welcome



Welcome to the 2023 Suffolk FA Grassroots Festival. We are looking forward to welcoming players, coaches, referees and spectators to another fantastic weekend of grassroots football at Kesgrave High School.

Our annual grassroots festival is now in its eleventh year and the first time at a new venue and we are pleased to be welcoming back teams from U7s to U15s across both female and mixed categories. We will also be hosting the adults from Wot's Up Football League and Man v Fat. We hope to ensure our showcase festival caters for all members of the Suffolk football community and continually strive to make the festival bigger and better each season.

We have 150 teams signed up to attend and participate through the course of the weekend and no doubt some great football being played. It will be great to see so many teams from across the county and we hope it will be a real celebration of grassroots football in Suffolk.

We are delighted to be working in partnership with Kesgrave Kestrels FC to bring the end of season festival to Kesgrave High School for the first time following the venue hosting a pre-season festival following Covid-19. Can I extend a big thank you to everyone involved in the club who have worked hard to get the venue ready and supported the delivery of this showcase event.

To run such a large festival is no mean feat, therefore I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the staff at Suffolk FA who put so much time and effort in to making the weekend a triumph. Another big thank you to the referees and volunteers that are supporting us this weekend and all their contributions towards ensuring our players have a safe and enjoyable experience.

We hope that all players, coaches, referees and spectators enjoy the 2023 Suffolk FA Grassroots festival.

James Morley
Football Development Officer

*If we behave positively
during practice and matches,
our children will too.*

*By setting a good example, we'll help
build a supportive environment in which
everyone can enjoy themselves.*

Play Your Part (Code of Conduct)

Spectators and Parents/Carers

**Play your part and support
The FA's Code of Respect:**

- Have fun; it's what we're all here for!
- Celebrate effort and good play from both sides
- Always respect the Referee and coaches and encourage players to do the same
- Stay behind the touchline and within the Designated Spectators' Area (where provided)
- When players make mistakes, offer them encouragement to try again next time
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive language or behaviour

**I understand that if I do not follow the Code,
I may be:**

- Issued with a verbal warning or asked to leave
- Required to meet with the club committee, league or CFA Welfare Officer
- Obligated to undertake an FA education course
- Requested not to attend future games, be suspended or have my membership removed
- Required to leave the club along with any dependents and/or issued a fine

**we ONLY
do
Positive.**



RESPECT



Play your best. Be your best.

*Make sure you and everyone
around you has a good time
on and off the pitch.*

Play Your Part (Code of Conduct)

Young Players

**Play your part and support
The FA's Code of Respect:**

When playing football, I will:

- Always play my best for the benefit of the team
- Play fairly and be friendly
- Play by the rules and respect the Referee
- Shake hands with the other team - win or lose
- Listen carefully to what my coach tells me
- Understand that a coach has to do what's best for the team
- Talk to someone I trust or the club welfare officer if I'm unhappy about anything at my club
- Encourage my team mates
- Respect the facilities home & away

**I understand that if I do not follow the Code,
I may:**

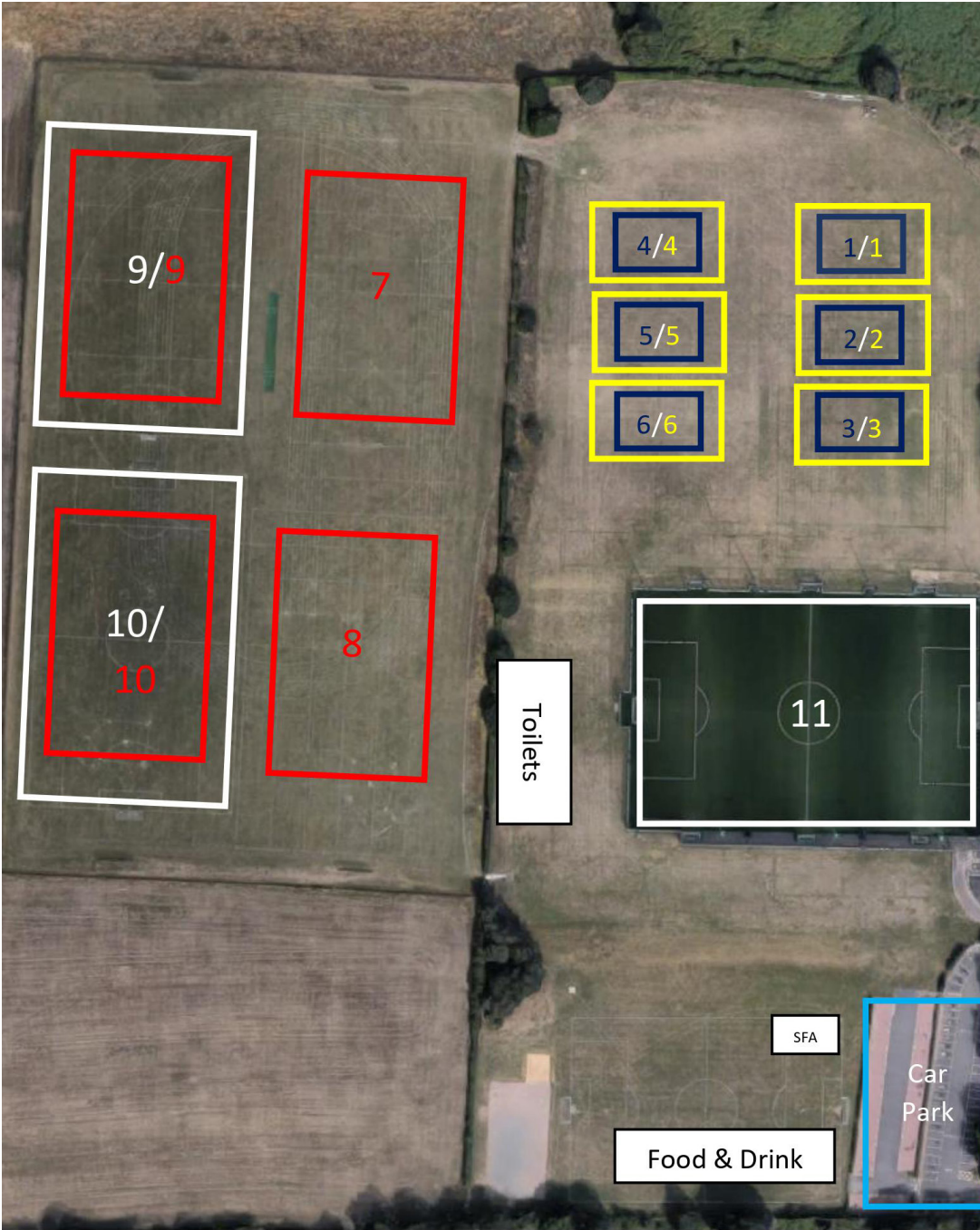
- Be asked to apologise to whoever I've upset
- Receive a formal warning
- Be dropped, substituted or suspended from training



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Pitch Key

Blue – 5v5

Yellow – 7v7

Red – 9v9

White – 11v11

11v11

Car
Park

Car Park

**Lost Child Point will be
at Suffolk FA Registration
Tent**

**Festival First Aider
is available. Will be
stationed at Suffolk FA
Registration Tent or
through Suffolk FA Staff
Member**

IF A CHILD CHOOSES YOU...

LISTEN carefully
DO NOT turn away,
DO PASS IT ON!!!

Suffolk FA Designated Safeguarding
Officer (DSO):

Hayley Chart - 07572 107791 / hayley.
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NSPCC Helpline - 0808 800 5000 (free
24hr service, providing advice to anyone
worried about a child)

Suffolk Customer First - 0808 800 4005

For further information on the Suffolk FA
Safeguarding Policies, please visit
www.suffolkfa.com



WE'RE BACKING PLAY SAFE



**PLAY
SAFE**

In partnership with
NSPCC

Parents – would you know how to keep your child safe in football? Take the free, short online course today. Scan this QR code today to take you to the course →



Supported by



Set the standards for a great game.

Use your position to set a
positive example for the people
you're responsible for and lead
a better game for everyone.

Play Your Part (Code of Conduct)

Coaches, Team Managers and Club Officials

Play your part and support The FA's Code of Respect:

On and off the field, I will:

- Always show respect to everyone involved in the game
- Stick to the rules and celebrate the spirit of the game
- Encourage fair play and high standards of behaviour
- Always respect the Referee and encourage players to do the same
- Never enter the field of play without the referee's permission
- Never engage in, or tolerate offensive, insulting or abusive behaviour
- Be aware of the potential impact of bad language on others
- Be gracious in victory and defeat
- Respect the facilities home and away



RESPECT

When working with players, I will:

- Place the well-being, safety and enjoyment of each player above everything
- Never tolerate any form of bullying
- Ensure all activities are suited for the players' ability and age
- Work with others (e.g. officials, doctors, welfare officers, physiotherapists) for each player's best interests

I understand that if I do not follow the Code, I may be:

- Required to meet with the club or league Welfare officer or your CFA Designated Safeguarding Officer (DSO).
- Suspended by the club from attending matches
- Suspended or fined by the County FA
- Required to leave, lose my position and/or have my license withdrawn

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