

#### INTRODUCTION

Hi everyone,

Welcome to your latest newsletter! I bet you're all getting just a bit excited about the prospect of six I-o-n-g weeks of school holidays just around the corner, while enjoying the last few days of the school year.

Of course, those of us working at the Club – and probably a lot of your parents and carers – are getting excited about the start of another new football season, with pre-season already under way with the boys enjoying a break down in Weymouth. My spies tell me one or two Junior Blues were spotted down that way too, so if you managed to get any good photos at any pre-season games, do send them in to me at <a href="mailto:juniors@shrimperstrust.co.uk">juniors@shrimperstrust.co.uk</a> and hopefully we can get some in the next newsletter.

**MEET THE BLUES DAY** has now been confirmed as taking place on Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup> July, and this year, will be held at the home of the Blues – Roots Hall, itself. You will have the opportunity to watch training on the main pitch from the stands, just as we do at our own **Junior Blues' Meet the Players Day**, before meeting up with the players in the Shrimpers Bar for signings and photographs. There will be other activities to take part in on the top car park. This all starts at 10 a.m. Refreshments will be available.

Delighted to hear that our **Junior Blues** ambassador, **John White**, has accepted a new contract with the Club, and of course, we'd like to welcome the new signings, Brandon Goodship, Mark Milligan and Nathan Ralph, while wishing Michael Kightly all the very best on his retirement. You'll get the chance to meet them all yourself at **MEET THE BLUES DAY**.

Finally, many of you will have your memberships due for renewal at this time of year, so you will find a Renewal Form inside this newsletter, which can be completed and returned to us at the Club from now, or handed over to us at **MEET THE BLUES DAY**, either to my friend, Kay in the Shrimpers Bar or to the team from the Commercial Department. You will be able to collect your free gifts at this time too from both points. Extra gifts from previous years will also be available to buy at heavily discounted prices in the Shrimpers Bar, including the lunch boxes and pencil cases, plus badges and other things.



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### **RENEWAL FORMS**



### **NEWS FROM THE BLUES**

A little birdie tells me that three very lucky **Junior Blues** members were involved in the secret kit launch photo shoot recently. So, well done to Rio Connelly, Ryan and Ruby Yates, who won a recent competition to take part in this top secret photo shoot — we'll look forward to seeing the photos — and the kit very soon!

### New signings....



**Nathan Ralph** 

John White signed a new contract – more moments like this? Yes, please!



### **AWAY TRAVEL**

For the forthcoming season, as part of their membership, Junior Blues will once again be entitled to **one free travel** this season to a league game of their choice, on the <u>official</u> travel coaches organised by the Shrimpers Trust, as long as they are with an accompanying adult. Travel at all other times will be at the fixed price of just £10, which represents great value!

Coach travel is provided by local company, SBC, and is in any of their fleet of comfortable executive coaches. Some of these have previously been used by the England football team so you're travelling on a very exclusive vehicle if you get one of these!



Book a place by visiting the Trust website at <a href="https://www.shrimperstrust.co.uk/travel.asp">www.shrimperstrust.co.uk/travel.asp</a> or call <a href="https://www.shrimperstrust.co.uk/travel.asp">Lesley Hicks</a> on 07892 905338.

Online bookings now require payment to be made.

A full set of Away Travel Terms and Conditions can be found at www.shrimperstrust.co.uk

### **TOP TRAVELLER**

The Shrimpers Trust will, once again will be providing an award for the **Junior Blue** who travels the most miles on the official travel coaches to support the mighty Blues.

**Junior Blue Callum Turp** was presented with his award by his favourite player at the end of last season for winning the Top Traveller award. Might this be you this season?

#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

To all Junior Blues who have birthdays in July:

16 - Dylan Hubbard → Jack Lodge

15 - Ben Humphrey

14 - Ryan Fox; Daniel Milchard & Callum Pope

13 - Oliver Hobday; Matthew Huggins; Luke Hughes; Ryan Long; George McAlister & Olivia Posnack

12 - Josh Graham & Daniel Rodriguez

11 - Ruben Philip & Blake Priddle

10 – Harry England; Ben Fentiman; Reece Fox; Oliver Jeeves; Lily Jones; Nathan Jones; Jessica Kirk; Daniel McKenna; Jack Reilly & Oliver Speedie

9 - Kian Fincher; Owen Harrington; Fynn Parks & William Verner

7 - Millie Guerel & Paddy Treacy

6 - Amelia Pope; Laura Walton & Ruby Yates

HAPPY BIRTHDAY EVERYONE!

