

# PENTLAND GYMNASTICS CLUB HANDBOOK

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# 1. WELCOME & CLASS TIMETABLE

Welcome to Pentland Gymnastics Club.

We are based in Southwest Edinburgh and take gymnasts from pre-school and from beginner to elite competitor level and everything in between.

Our classes are based in Currie High School, Balerno High School and Nether Currie Primary School and our class timetable can be found below:-

## **ARTISTIC**

TUESDAY (BHS): 6-9PM (display team)

WEDNESDAY (CHS): 6-8PM

**THURSDAY (BHS): 6-7PM / 7-9PM** 

THURSDAY (CHS): 5-6PM /6-8PM

FRIDAY (NC): 2-3PM / 3-4PM

**SATURDAY (CHS & BHS):** 9-10AM / 10-12NOON

PRE SCHOOL - BHS 12-1PM

### **RHYTHMIC**

TUESDAY (BHS): 6-8PM

WEDNESDAY (CHS): 6-8PM / 6-9PM (comp)

THURSDAY (CHS): 6-9PM (comp)

SATURDAY (CHS & BHS): 9-1PM (comp)

To find out more about the Rhythmic and Artistic pathways please see page Section 3.

# 2. CLUB MISSION STATEMENT

Our **mission** is to provide a safe, educational and enjoyable environment where children can develop self-confidence, enhance their physical abilities and gain experience in a recreational or competitive sporting environment.

# 3. **ARTISTIC & RHYTHMIC PATHWAY BEGINNER ARTISTIC** (P1-3) Saturday 9-10am Thursday 5-6pm/6-7pm Friday 2pm **COMPETITIVE RHYTHMIC BEGINNER RHYTHMIC** (P2-P6) Tuesday 6-9pm Wednesday 6-9pm **RECREATIONAL ARTISTIC** Tuesday 6-8pm Thursday 6-9pm Wednesday 6-8pm (P4+) Saturday 9-1pm Friday 3-4pm Wednesday 6-8pm Thursday 6-8pm/ 7-9pm Saturday 1-12 **RECREATIONAL ARTISTIC** (Advanced group) Display team Tuesday 6-9pm

# 4. **CLUB UNFORM & EQUIPMENT**

Please visit our website for further information on how to order club uniform or contact <a href="mailto:pentlandgymnasticsuniform@gmail.com">pentlandgymnasticsuniform@gmail.com</a>

# 5. CODE OF CONDUCT

Pentland Gymnastics Club is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting wellbeing of all its members. The club believes that it is important that gymnasts, coaches, officials, volunteers and parents/ carers associated with the club should, at all times, show respect and understanding for the safety and welfare of others. Therefore, gymnasts and parents/carers are encouraged to be open at all times and to share any concerns or complaints that they may have about any aspect of the club with Head Coaches, or the Safeguarding Officer if appropriate. As an affiliated club of Scottish Gymnastics, the national governing body for gymnastics in Scotland, we abide by their policies and procedures related to safeguarding, including codes of conduct which we have summarised below.

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT FOR GYMNASTS**

As a gymnast of the club, you are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

- Co-operate fully and respect requests and decisions made by coaches, helpers, officials, and administrators.
- Respect the rights, dignity and worth of all participants regardless of gender, ability, cultural background, or religion.
- Pentland Gymnastics Club will not tolerate bullying or any other behaviour that may upset others, including during the use of social media.
- Gymnasts should be punctual and keep to agreed timings for training, competitions and events or inform their coach or Head Coach if they are going to be late.
- Accept success and failure in a noble/selfless way.
- Take care of all property belonging to the club or any club member.
- Be responsible for caring for your own equipment, clothing, and property.
- Do not leave sessions without permission of the person in charge.
- Mobile phones and other electronic devices should be switched off in the gym.
- No jewellery (including earrings) or unsuitable clothing or footwear should be worn during any club training sessions, competitions, or events.
- Gymnasts must not purchase or consume alcohol, tobacco products/ vape, solvents, illegal drugs of any kind whilst representing the club or on the club premises.
- Agree to abide by all Club Policies and Procedures that can be found on the Club website at <u>Home - Pentland Gymnastics</u>

# 5. CODE OF CONDUCT (cont'd)

#### **CODE OF CONDUCT FOR PARENTS AND CARERS**

As a parent or carer of a gymnast at the club, you are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

- Encourage your child to learn the rules and perform within them.
- Discourage inappropriate conduct and arguing with officials.
- Help your child to recognise good performance, not just results.
- Never force your child to take part in sport.
- Set a good example by recognising fair play and applauding good performances of all.
- Never punish or belittle a child for losing or making mistakes.
- Publicly accept coaches and officials' judgements.
- Raise disagreements and concerns in a respectful manner adhering to club policies and procedures.
- Support your child's involvement and help them to enjoy their sport.
- Always use correct and proper language, including any communications via social media and Spond.
- Encourage and guide performers to accept responsibility for their own performance and behaviour.
- Develop an appropriate working relationship with all coaches and other parents/ carers, based on mutual trust and respect.
- Parents/ carers must pay any fees for training or events promptly.
- Treat competitors from all clubs, other spectators and event staff with respect and appreciate their level of skill and talent.
- Respect and celebrate difference and do not discriminate against anyone else on the grounds of gender, race, sexual orientation, or ability.
- Never enter the arena or competition area without prior authority to do so.
- Parents should stay with children until at least one of the coaches are present

By becoming a member of Pentland gymnastics parents, carers and gymnasts are confirming that they have read, and will adhere, to the code of conduct detailed above.

## 6. CLUB POLICIES & PROCEDURES

Pentland Gymnastics is committed to ensuring that those working with children and adults adopt the best practice to ensure the health, safety and wellbeing of gymnasts and staff. For our access to all Policies and Procedures please visit <u>Club Policies & Procedures - Pentland Gymnastics</u>

This document outlines the Club's commitment to protecting children in line with the policies and procedures set out by Scottish Gymnastics.

### SEE SOMETHING, SAY SOMETHING

Pentland Gymnastics club will follow up all complaints and concerns including those which are raised anonymously. In the first instance we would always encourage you to alert a coach or the club manager, however, you can also contact our safeguarding officer or scan the OR code:



If you have a concern, or see something that worries you, please tell us. Club Safeguarding email: pentlandsafeguarding@gmail.com

Lucy Ross - 07941701018 Kerry Halliday - 07789685229

A copy of our complaints procedure can be found on the Club Website. Scottish Gymnastics procedures for dealing with complaints will be followed an if an issue cannot be suitably addressed at club level and it will be escalated.

### INCIDENT/ ACCIDENT REPORTING

## 7. CLUB FEES EXPLAINED

Every gymnast is required to pay annual fees, the cost of which will be advised by our treasurer. We do however allow these fees to be paid monthly. An initial payment of £70 is required within the first few weeks of the new term commencing. The remaining annual fee can either be paid in a lump sum or in 9 equal instalments (1st October – 1st June).

This fee amount is calculated annually for each gymnast based on the number of hours they train each week. If a gymnast's number of hours is changed (either up or down) a new fee note will be issued. All members will also require annual membership to Scottish Gymnastics, which includes appropriate insurance for your child and the club. This is over and above the "Club Fee" and must be paid to Scottish Gymnastics directly by registering your child online. More information regarding the Scottish Gymnastics membership registration process can be found on the Scottish Gymnastics website. Joining - Scottish Gymnastics

Additional training is often offered (during Christmas or summer school holidays). The cost of this will be communication under separate cover and should be paid by the deadlines detailed on the communication.

#### PENTLAND GYMNASTICS BANK DETAILS

Receiving Bank: Bank of Scotland

Sort code: 800620

Account No: 00711653

**Account Name: Pentland Gymnastics Club Reference** 

{Gymnast's Name} + what payment if for

E.g. SMITHFEES (Fee payment)

E.g. SMITHLEOTARD (leotard payment)

E.g. SMITHCOMP (competition payment)

E.g. SMITHSUMMER (additional summer training)

Payment of all fees must be made in accordance with the dates and terms stated on the fee notice issued and MUST be paid directly into the Club's bank account by standing order or bank transfer. **No other method of payment will be accepted** 

We respectfully request that standing orders are set up for the 1st of every month, October – June inclusive.

By attending the start of a new training month, the member undertakes to pay for the whole of that month.

No refunds will be paid if classes require cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances.

# **8. KEY CONTACTS AND CLUB COMMUNICATIONS**

As a Club we aim to communicate with parents via the Spond App. Parents can download the app and add Pentland Gymnastics Club by using the code: **XRJAR** 

If you wish to contact the club you can do this via Spond which enables contact with your child's coach directly, or email the club on <a href="mailto:pentlansgymnastics@gmail.com">pentlansgymnastics@gmail.com</a>

Where possible we encourage all parents to add "Pentland Gymnastics Clubs" to their Facebook Groups (closed group).

### **ARTISTIC COACHES**

Claire Sills
Adriene Wilson
Claire MacIntosh
Courtenay Hamilton
Niamh Mitchell
Tilly Harris

Jazmine Taylor
Libby Gregson
Isla Forbes

## **RHYTHMIC COACHES**

Sarah Uysal Yuliia Tokareva Grace Macleod Demi-Jo Mcwilliam

Fiona Hercus Abbie Gibb Katie Kemp

Eilidh Sills (+choreographer)

## **COACH HELPERS**

Orla	Gibb	Jenny	Stoddart
Oria		Hallie	McConnachie
Freya	Anderson	Fiona	Stevenson
Vaila	Bruce	Skye	Mitchell
Cerys	Anderson	Niamh	Nicholson
Emma	Edmond	Anna	Purnell
Freya	Firstbrook	Layla	Reay
Jessica	Hill	Olivia	Reid
Saskia	Inglis	Evie	Ross
Evie	Kerr	Ruby	Smith
Sophie	Lawson	Amy	Sutherland
Callie	MacIver	Amy	Vinnicombe
Grace	Macleod	Lily	Vinnicombe
Freya	Smith	Macy	Ross
Lucia	Falconer	Robyn	Mitchell
Mila	Van Der Lindan	Maya	James

# 9. KEY CONTACTS & CLUB COMMUNICATIONS

Name	Role	Contact
Lara Gregson	Chairperson	pentlandgymnastics@gmail.com FAO Lara Gregson
Adrienne Wilson	Membership Secretary	pentlandgymnastics@gmail.com
Courtenay Hamilton	Minute Secretary	pentlandgymnastics@gmail.com
Theresa Mitchell Karen Hill	Treasurer Vice Treasurer	tc.mitchell@tiscali.co.uk pentlandgymnastics@gmail.com
Vacancy	Fundraising Coordinator	pentlandgymnastics@gmail.com
Kerry Halliday Lucy Ross	Safeguarding Officers	pentlandsafeguarding@gmail.com
Claire Sills	Club Head Coach and Club Manager	pentlandgymnastics@gmail.com (and via Spond App)
Claire MacIntosh	Coach Rep	pentlandcoachesfeedback@gmail.com
Samantha Hamilton	Equipment Secretary (including uniforms)	pentlandgymnasticsuniform@gmail.com
Debbie Messis  Louise Firstbrook	Parent Rep	Pentlandparentfeedback@gmail.com