

York Aikido Junior Club

Dear Parent,

On behalf of York Aikido Junior Club, we would like to welcome your child to the club and to provide you with some information about our activities. The club provides opportunities for young people between the ages of 7 and 18 to learn Aikido and take part in competitions. All coaching is by qualified coaches who have been screened for the suitability for working with young people.

Our Club Welfare Officer, *Mark Hutchinson*, is responsible for ensuring that our child protection policy is implemented and can be contacted by phone on 07913083973 and in writing at 45 Rowntree Avenue, York, YO30 6HQ. should you have any concerns.

We welcome parents to all training sessions and competitions, and value your support. We are keen to involve you in the club, so please let us know if you would like to help with organising events, promotion of the club, etc.

Below is some information about training times and dates, and details regarding travel arrangements, kit and club registration.

Training Sessions take place on:

Tuesdays 6:15 – 7:15pm upstairs in the Railway Institute, 22 Queen St, York, YO24 1AD

Arrangements should be made for your child to travel to and from training sessions and competitions. We appreciate it if children can arrive and be collected promptly at the end of sessions, if they are not making their own way home. If you are going to be late picking your child up please advise one of the coaching team (Elaine 07956757772 and/or Yann 07867314308). While there are male and female changing and showering facilities available at the Railway Institute (RI), they are communal to all patrons of the RI and make no specific provision for children.

Club training kit consists of a dogi and belt. We would be happy to provide those for £20, but are also happy if you would like to source the kit yourself. We recommend that students bring water with them to sessions and there will be regular water breaks during the sessions.

The fees for the session will be monthly, £10 for one child, and £5 for any additional siblings. A reduction of £5 for families on benefits is available please contact Elaine or Yann for details.

We would be grateful if you complete the attached membership form. For the safety of your child it is important that the club is informed of any medical condition or allergies that may be relevant should your child fall ill or be involved in an accident while at the club.

If you would like to talk to someone about this information or your child's involvement with the club, please contact Junior Coordinator Elaine Batchelor on 07965757772.