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To be the best,
you have to play with the best

An introduction to Regional Talent Centres



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Developing young footballing talent with over 90 clubs and for over 6 fantastic years

The Junior Premier league launched for the start of the 2011/12 season and was originally conceived by a group of large clubs from the Midlands & Southern England who were interested in developing their players through better coaching and better quality matches

The league is aimed at clubs who want to develop their players through a 'best with best' ethos - the NERF JPL is not aimed at single teams looking for a new challenge.

The ethos of the League is always development before results and the main aim is to

give a season's worth of top quality competitive matches to every team participating.

Now in our 6th Season we have grown to over 90 clubs and over 400 teams with multiple age groups from u10 to u18, these represent 22 County FA Regions.

We have high minimum standards in terms of coaching qualifications and all coaches must be members of the FA Licensed Coaches Club - we are still the only League in the country to be designated as an FA Licensed Coaches Club league.





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We want you to help us create the future stars of the beautiful game

We actively encourage clubs to give more contact time to their players and many of our initiatives are aimed at developing the players to the highest level possible through different football experiences (futsal & street soccer) as well as the traditional match day experience.

All the clubs involved will have to show their development plans for their players along with constant access to higher level coaches. Although it is essentially about developing players for the member clubs, the teams involved have already produced many players that have signed contracts with professional clubs.

We have a great cross section of clubs involved from Premier League clubs to Football League clubs then Conference clubs and semi-professional clubs all the way through to large top quality grassroots clubs. The important thing for any club entering the league is a genuine desire to develop their players to the best of their ability. We want our players to love the game and remain involved in it past the age of 18 whether as a player, coach, referee or other involved person - that way our game and league can develop and be sustained.





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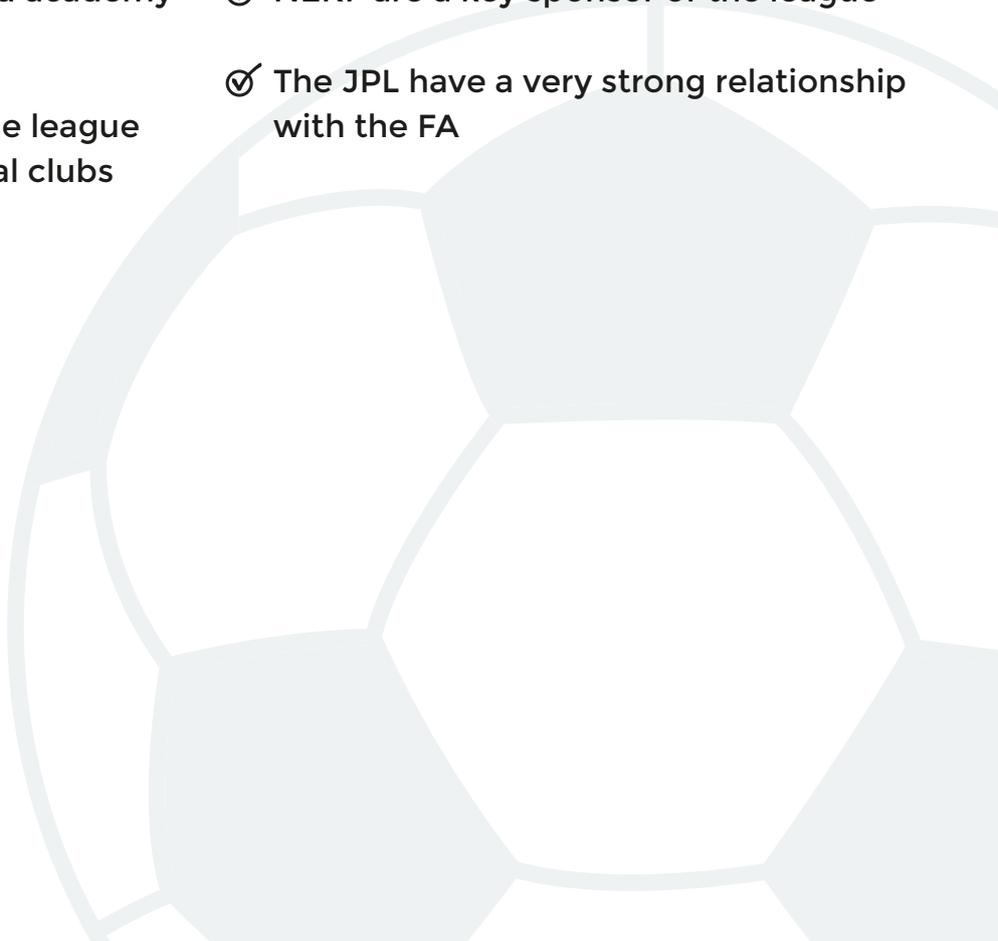




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From the first thing in the morning to the last thing at night, we have been living, eating and breathing the JPL since 2011

- ✓ 6000+ children, 400 +teams, 90+ clubs playing Saturday football in the JPL
- ✓ We are the first league to bridge the gap between grass roots and academy level football
- ✓ 1 in 11 children that play in the league are signed on by professional clubs
- ✓ Approximately 23,000 website hits per week - 70% are returning visitors and 30% new visitors
- ✓ NERF are a key sponsor of the league
- ✓ The JPL have a very strong relationship with the FA





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Vision

To create centres that can attract talented and motivated players that will benefit from high quality coaching and a games programme in a great learning environment.

Ethos

To develop the players through a planned syllabus of coaching in order to prepare the players to make that step up into Professional Academy Football or a reputable post 16 education course.





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Commitment

It is our intention that the Regional Talent Centres must always uphold the best practise guidelines operated by the League and demonstrate the highest standards in everything they deliver.

Where

The Regional Talent Centres will be in areas where there is a lack of Nerf Junior Premier League clubs for players to join. It is not to be in an area where we already have clubs that they would compete with.





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This is a fantastic opportunity for gifted and talented footballers to improve upon their football ability in an elite environment.

We have now agreed a partnership agreement with Adidas (the first of its kind ever granted in England); all Regional Talent Centres will have Adidas branding on them as well as Nerf (our current title sponsor - and part of the largest toy company in the world). The reach of these 2 global brands, along with being a JPL centre, will elevate the image of the Regional Talent Centres to a very high and professional level. It is therefore vital that the look of these centres is the pinnacle of everything we do in every way.





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TALENT IDENTIFICATION PROGRAMME





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The What, Why, Who, How's and Why Not's

“A forward thinking talent identification approach that ensures the player gains sufficient challenge and opportunity in a stimulating and holistic environment”

Objectives

To bridge the gap between grassroots and professional football academies.

To maximise the opportunity young players receive outside academy football.

To provide a measurable approach to talent identification through bio-banding training groups and a stimulating and holistic environment.



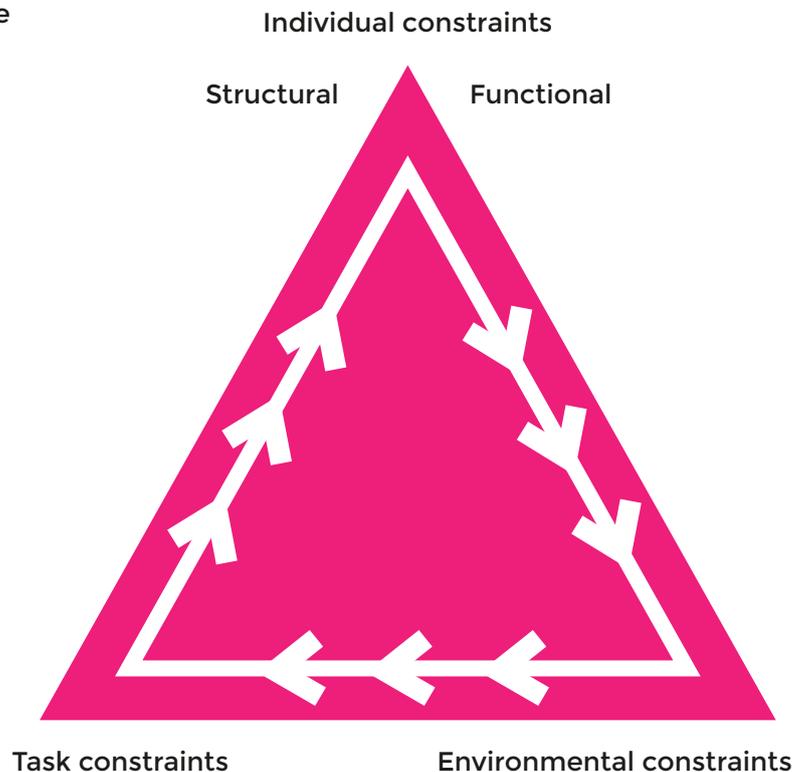


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Why Bio-Banding

All 3 fluctuate considerably, especially throughout sport in adolescence, One of these constraints - the individual could be seen as providing the most fluctuation which great impacts the player. By manipulating these factors we can level the 'playing field' as the task constraints can be altered to suit the individual.





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Intentions

To create a recruitment system that is more than just observing players in a game.

An objective approach using a measurable model.

The RTC model

A Talent Identification Programme built on the ethos of scientific principles and the 4 corner model.

Players will be assessed on arrival to a Regional Talent Centre.

Once assessed, players will be forwarded in to one of the training groups. The training groups are based on "Bio Banding" the latest and most up to date research providing players with a more measurable assessment pathway to professional football.

All players will be assessed through the "Four Tier Approach" and then put in to a Bio-Banded training group instead of playing in an age group.

Training in these groups aims to provide players with the opportunity to play at the sufficient level that challenges their current and potential ability.



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What is the assessment?

A Four Tier Approach

Fitness Assessment - 40m Sprint, Agility, Standing Jump, Reaction Time

Technical Assessment - a range of passing, skill and technique practices

Tactical Assessment - Observing players within a game situation.

Bio Banding - Players will complete several anthropometric tests to gauge their maturation status.

Players will then be profiled in 8-10 categories with a total of 10 being scored for each individual target.

The organisation

2 Coaches working with each team. (1 Head Coach and 1 Assistant Coach from University / College)

On Saturday at least 1 coach is present.

Coaches can rotate each week to gain experience in scouting other teams in the local area for the RTC.

Players will train once / twice a week within their banded groups.

Teams will be fluid and flexible in the fact that they can play up and down depending on ability, challenge and opportunity.



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Recruitment of players

Players will be invited to open trials.

Any players already part of a development centre that is joining the JPL's regional talent centre will have an in house trial prior to these open trials.

Following the trials players will be invited in during the season.

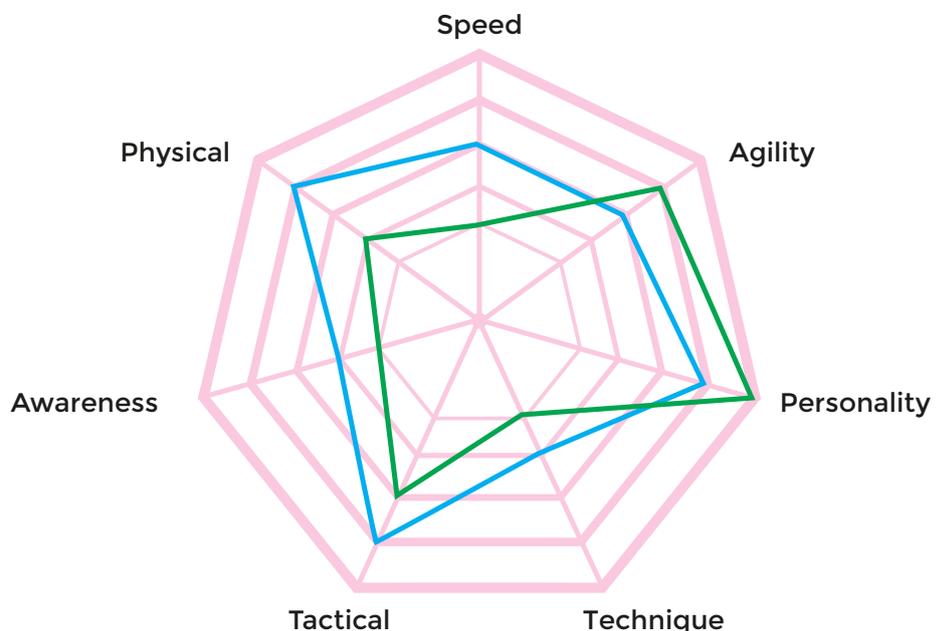
The JPL Regional Talent Centre's aim to work with all Football Clubs to maximum clubs scouting and recruitment in that particular area

Retention and release

Every 4-8 weeks players will be assessed using the performance profiling concept during training. (See the diagram below.)

Three times a year players will complete a Bio-Banded assessment to inform them of their % of Maturation.

Players will be invited to a quarterly meeting and receive their FIFA style assessment and an informal conversation with their head coach.





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