tournament

RESIDENTIAL ACADEMY TOURNAMENTS

THE ACADEMY ONE

A three-day, two-night residential tournament for academy and elite youth teams. A real competition, run residentially.

EASTER CUP
27 – 29 March 2027
U13 & U14

PRE-SEASON
6 – 8 August 2027
U12 & U13

VENUE
Oakham School
Rutland

> Most academy events give you one or the other: a hard day's football, or a bespoke tour with no jeopardy. The Academy One gives your squad a genuine competition — and the weekend that turns it into a camp.

OPPOSITION WORTH TRAVELLING FOR

Invitation only, restricted to academy and elite youth teams. Group stage into knockouts, and a trophy that means something on day three.

THE HOURS BETWEEN THE GAMES

Boarding houses, shared meals, team debriefs, pool, gym and 3v3 battles, and a programme built around your fixtures.

ONE BOOKING, NOTHING TO ORGANISE

Accommodation, catering, pitches, officials, medical cover and the full programme in a single entry. You bring the squad.

VENUE
Oakham School, Rutland

MATCHES
20 minutes each way
All fixtures on grass

TEAM CAP
Two teams per club, per age group

ENTRY
£219 per player
£149 per staff (excl. VAT)

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THE WEEKEND, HOUR BY HOUR

Indicative running order. The fixture pack is issued the week before the tournament.

DAY ONE

ARRIVAL, CHECK IN AND FIRST MATCHES

FROM 12:30

Arrival & lunch

Lunch served 12:30 to 13:15 as squads arrive.

13:15

Check in & settle

Boarding house allocation, room drop, kit and ID checks.

14:30

Staff briefing & site walk

Rules, medical protocol, safeguarding, orientation.

16:00 – 18:00

Day one matches

Opening round of group fixtures.

18:30 – 19:00

Supper

Squads and staff eat together in hall.

EVENING

House time & team debrief

Coaches review in the house common room.

DAY TWO

FULL PROGRAMME, ON AND OFF THE PITCH

08:00 – 08:30

Breakfast

MORNING

Group matches

Second round of group fixtures.

BETWEEN FIXTURES

Pool, gym & 3v3 battles

Timetabled around your games, not against them.

12:30 – 13:00

Lunch

AFTERNOON

Final group matches

Groups conclude and the knockout bracket is set.

LATE AFTERNOON

Off-pitch programme

Tennis, badminton, 3v3 air pitches and seminar rooms.

18:30 – 19:00

Supper & bracket reveal

Day three fixtures announced to the room.

EVENING

House time & team debrief

Squad review, downtime, lights out.

DAY THREE

KNOCKOUTS & PRESENTATION

08:00 – 08:30

Breakfast

BEFORE PLAY

Pack & check out

Bags to the coach before the first whistle.

MORNING

Knockout rounds

Knockout and plate rounds, so every squad keeps playing.

LATE MORNING

Finals & presentation

Trophies, medals and individual awards.

BY 13:00

Departure

Finished by lunchtime.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Two nights in Oakham School boarding houses
- All meals from day one lunch to day three breakfast
- Group matches, knockout rounds and finals
- Qualified match officials and grass pitches
- Pool, gym, tennis, badminton and 3v3 air pitches
- Pitchside medical cover and safeguarding lead
- Trophies, medals and individual awards

NOT INCLUDED

Travel · club insurance · spectator accommodation

ENTRY

PER PLAYER — **£219**

Two nights, all meals, full programme

PER ADULT STAFF — **£149**

Boarding house place alongside the squad

ALL PRICES EXCLUDE VAT

VAT is added at the prevailing rate when we invoice.
Maximum two teams per club, per age group. A single team is fine.
Place held for two weeks, then payment in full by BACS.

REQUEST AN INVITATION

Entry is by invitation. Tell us your club, age groups and number of squads.

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