

BJJ School Belfast

Introductory Letter

Dear Parent/Guardian/Carer,

On behalf of BJJ School Belfast I would like to welcome your child(ren) to the club and provide you with some information about our activities.

The club provides opportunities for young people between the ages of 6 years and 15 years to receive coaching and competition in Brazilian Jiu Jitsu.

Young people between the ages of 16 and 18 years can participate in adult classes, but only **with parental consent**.

All coaching is by qualified coaches who are trained and have been screened for their suitability for working with young people via Access NI Disclosure Checks.

As a sports club, we are committed to providing high quality standards for all participants in relation to effective management, quality coaching and competition, and safety in sport. Designated Safeguarding Children Officer, **Alan Lowry**, is responsible for ensuring that our safeguarding policy is implemented and can be contacted at the club should you have any concerns.

We welcome parents to attend all training sessions and competitions and value your support. We are keen to involve parents in the club. Training sessions for Juveniles are as per club website and social media. Arrangements should be made for your child to travel to and from training sessions and matches. We appreciate it if children can arrive promptly and are collected promptly at the end of the session, if they are not making their own way home. If you are going to be late picking your child up, please contact **Conor Dunbar** (Juvenile Co-ordinator) and let them know.

Club training kit consists of Gi or Kimono (long shorts/bottoms and tee-shirts will suffice to begin). Gum shields and groin guards are also recommended.

We would be grateful if you could complete the junior club membership form which can be found on our website and ensure you have read and understood the codes of conduct available on the clubs website. This is part of the clubs commitment to provide a positive learning environment for your young people and coaches/volunteers representing the club have agreed to similar codes committing them to the values of this club.

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 at the club about this information or your child's involvement with the club, please contact the Junior Coordinator, Conor Dunbar.

We thank you for your co-operation and look forward to meeting you at our training sessions.

Regards,

BJJ School Belfast Coaches