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# THE COACHING ACADEMY





# ARE YOU INTERESTED IN A CAREER IN SPORTS COACHING?



The Piggott School has teamed up with The Reading FC Community Trust to develop a unique sports coaching programme, with the aim of developing talented young sports leaders. This is a very prestigious partnership, which allows the school and a professional football club to work together to create a more in-depth learning experience.

*'The Reading FC Community Trust are delighted to be affiliated and partnered with The Piggott School Coaching Academy. Through this collaboration we are now able to help develop a new generation of sports coaches, which makes The Piggott School Coaching Academy the number one choice for the inspiring sports leader.'*

Dave Evans – Director of Reading F.C. Community Trust



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Whether you are interested in becoming a football coach, physical education teacher or a fitness Instructor, The Piggott School Coaching Academy will give you the skill, knowledge and experience to develop your career as a sports leader.

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Andy Freeman – Lead Tutor

The coaching programme is a 2 year vocational course, which combines a series of awards and coaching certificates with a level 3 VRQ, BTEC or A-level qualification. When combined, these qualifications are the equivalent of 2 A-Levels and will support entry to sports courses at university/college or provide immediate employment opportunities within the sports coaching industry. GCSE Maths and English courses can be added to your programme of study and you can

choose from a range of A-Levels and BTEC courses to accompany your sports coaching studies.

Open to both male and female students between 16 – 19 years, the course is a must for any sport and football enthusiast. There are no formal entry requirements, however candidates must be serious about a career in sports coaching and have a high level of commitment and a basic level of fitness.



## YEAR 12

- Level 3 BTEC In Sport Certificate
- Level 3 Increasing Participation in Sport and Community Settings Certificate
- Level 1 Strength & Conditioning
- F.A. Level 1 Award in Coaching Football
- F.A. Safeguarding Children Certificate
- F.A. First Aid Certificate
- F.A. Level 2 Leadership Through Football
- F.A. Goalkeeping Level 1
- F.A. Disability Award

## YEAR 13

- Level 3 BTEC In Sport Diploma
- Level 3 Increasing Participation in Sport and Community Settings Diploma
- F.A. Level 2 Certificate in Coaching Football
- Level 2 Multi Skills – Primary School Sports Teaching
- Functional Integrated Training Programme- Levels 1-6. Core strength, motor skills and resistance band training.

designing and running your own football and sports tournaments, refereeing and playing in the course representative football team.

Students will be able to access work placements at Reading FC Community Trust. Here you will be able to experience life as a coach in a professional club working alongside highly qualified Reading FC coaches. Other work experience placements include sports coaching in local primary schools, football coaching for local clubs and fitness instructing at Nuffield Health Fitness Club.

A popular pathway for many of our graduates is to gain employment as a soccer coach in the USA. UK

International, are one of the leading sports coaching providers in America and have recruited our graduates for over 7 years.

*'The programme provides young people with an excellent mix of experience, qualifications and skills which make them highly proficient and employable. We have always recruited from The Piggott School Coaching Academy as we know the coaches will be professional, reliable and able.'*

Nathan Ellis – UK International Recruitment Manager

The qualifications and training you receive is specifically designed to improve your communication and leadership skills. You will develop both confidence and maturity, allowing you to work both in a team environment and be able to lead and instruct people in a competent and professional manner.

Our students learn by 'doing' and will be expected to play an active role within the school's Physical Education Department, assisting in the coaching of a variety of school sports clubs and helping organise and deliver curriculum P.E. lessons. Other tasks will include





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## FACILITIES

Learn and train using state of the art facilities, which include a new full sized 3G artificial football pitch, a fitness suite managed by Nuffield Health and a private classroom equipped with its own computer suite. You will also have the

opportunity to enjoy a variety of course excursions designed to enhance your knowledge and experience of sports coaching and football. Some of our past trips have included Wembley, Valencia, South Africa and St Georges Park.

*'An excellent course, with superb tutors. The experiences and skills I have learned on the coaching programme have helped me coach in the USA and study at University. The course is a lot of fun and allows you to learn on the job which gives you a more realistic learning experience'*

*Chris Wateridge –  
Course Graduate 2008*



## HOW DO I APPLY ?

Application is via normal sixth form prospectus.  
For further details, contact:

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