



MERIVALE PAPANUI RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB

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Rugby 2021 Season – Important Information

Home Grounds:

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Important Information

Club Uniform

Please ensure that your child/ren have the correct uniform each week.

The Club will provide:

- A Playing Rugby Jersey – must be returned at the end of the season
- Mouth guard. Unfortunately, the Club can only provide each player with one mouth guard. You may want to purchase another one just in case it is left at home or gets lost.

Important

All players MUST wear a mouth guard both to trainings and their weekly games. If you do not have a mouth guard unfortunately you will not be allowed to play. No exceptions.

Parents/guardians to please provide:

- Navy blue rugby shorts. These are to be the short length shorts, none below the knee and no pockets please.
- Rugby Boots
- Merivale Papanui Rugby Football Club socks, Navy with two white stripes around the top. These are available ex the Club – at Fun Day and are stocked at some sports stores.

Training

Most teams train at least once a week. Your coach or manager will advise you of training days and times. Trainings for U6 – U10 will be for around one hour each week.

Under 11 – U18 would usually have two training sessions each week, (up to an hour and a half each session).

Draws and Results

Weekly draws and results can be found on our website. Our website is: www.merivalepap.co.nz.

Sometimes times and venues change, so please recheck the website on the Friday afternoon, just to double check you have the correct time and Park.

Alternatively the CRFU (Canterbury Rugby Football Union) post the draw for all Metropolitan teams on a Tuesday afternoon. www.crfu.co.nz Click on the link for Metropolitan games and scroll down to your team.

You can also access draw information via the Canterbury Rugby Union App

Games are played at different parks each week around Christchurch.

Please check our website on a regular basis for all upcoming events and photos.

Cancellations

If you are unsure if your game is to be played or not, due to wet weather, you can check this information on our website, on the CRFU (Canterbury Rugby Football Union) website. Your manager should notify you, but it is always good if parents can check as well.

Cancellations and draw updates will be available via the Canterbury Rugby Union App.

Merchandise

We have a variety of items available for purchase. Check out our range of products and find ordering information at www.merivalepap.co.nz – Further details to follow

Sponsorship

Your team may wish to find a sponsor to help with team gear, such as team hoodies, gear bags, beanies, caps etc for each player. If you think you are able to do this or know of a keen business who would like to be a part of a fast-growing club, please contact one of our Board members for a sponsor's pack that is tailored to your needs, or email info@merivalepap.co.nz
Please note all offers of sponsors must be notified to the Board before gear is ordered.

Contact Details

If for any reason your contact details change, please email info@merivalepap.co.nz so we can update the master records. This is important so that we have all current contact details especially email, as this is the main source of communication for the Club. If you do not have email please let us know.

Find us on Facebook.

Find us on Facebook - Merivale Papanui Rugby Football Club Official Club Site. 'Like' us and be a fan of Merivale Papanui RFC to keep up with all our events and notices.

Weekly Prizegiving

We celebrate our teams' achievements at our clubrooms located at Morrison Avenue Bowling Club every Saturday from 5pm, where we award our players of the day. Our Club Captain starts the evening with a brief summary of upcoming events and welcomes everybody to the prizegiving.

This is a wonderful opportunity for teams to relax and enjoy the company of the other parents and players in a friendly environment. Everyone is welcome - Mums and Dads, grandparents and friends, even your team sponsors.

The player of the day certificates and trophies are awarded to the players by their Coaches (or team representative). This is a good opportunity for Coaches to speak briefly about their team's match that day.

Setting up for weekly Prize giving and Field Pack Down

A team roster will be emailed to all Team Managers, including details of what is required to set up for prize giving and field pack down.

Player of the Day Certificates

All children will receive a Player of the Day certificate at least once during the season.

- The child will receive a trophy (to be returned the following week)
- A certificate

Events during the Season.

During the season, we have many different Club events.

- Club Day
- End of season prize giving
- Fundraising events
- Team Photos

Club Day

This year's Club Day will be held on Saturday 12 June 2021.

Club Day is where all the Merivale Papanui team games are played on our home ground, Nunweek Park. This is a fun day for all the children and parents. On Club Day, we have a free sausage sizzle and drinks for all the players. We have a great coffee company that come out for the day. The Club receive a portion of their sales. We also have a bake stall with yummy baking that can be purchased for our supporting parents, friends and children, throughout the day.

End of Season Prizegiving

This is the last celebration of the season where parents can relax and unwind. It is a time to reflect and acknowledge the achievements of the season for the Club, and as individuals.

Coaching Courses

The CRFU have coaching Courses available for each age group. The Merivale Papanui Rugby Football Club, along with the CRFU believe that coach education is a vital part of providing the best possible training for our players. By undertaking the Small Blacks or Rugby Smart coaching module you are demonstrating your commitment to coaching and to your players by seeking to develop your skills and knowledge. Coaches will be emailed all necessary information of dates and times. All coaches are Police vetted.

Parents/Guardians please:

- Display and encourage good sportsmanship at all times to both teams. (Please read the Code of Conduct, enclosed in this pack)
- We ask that your child attend at least 95% of all games and trainings.
- Ensure your child is punctual for both trainings and games.
- If a player is unwell, please make sure you advise your team manager prior to either a game or training of their absence.

Become Involved

If you are interested in helping with coaching or managing a team, refereeing games, or would like to assist with any of our events, please contact us.

If you have any other questions, or inquiries please feel free to contact any one of our friendly Board Members. We wish you all the best for the upcoming season and look forward to getting to know you all better.

Many thanks
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