

# BUAFC Performance Player Development Pathway - Boys



## 'Total Football' Mission:

- Technical & Tactical - to showcase a clear playing philosophy of attractive, yet results-driven football and to develop players who are flexible and comfortable on the ball
- Fitness - to focus on football-specific fitness to meet the aerobic and strength demands of the game, to produce quality possession football. Sport science support, including fitness testing and nutrition advice, will be provided for representative youth and elite senior teams
- Mental - to develop confident, determined and disciplined players with the skills to succeed both on and off the field
- Personal Development - to give young players a chance at first team/reserve level and encourage them to seek out and take opportunities for growth, including college scholarships, professional contracts, coaching, officiating or, similar career options that may present themselves through football

Match Format

Grades	5-6	NZF Whole of Football Plan In-House Competition	Little Champions Holiday Programme & Summer Soccer	Development Squad & BUAFC / Club Tournaments	4 v 4
	7-8	NZF Whole of Football Plan In-House Competition	Little Champions Holiday Programme & Summer Soccer	Development Squad & BUAFC / Club Tournaments	4 v 4
	9-10	NFF Competition	Little Champions Holiday Programme & Summer Soccer	Development Squad & BUAFC / Club Tournaments	7 v 7
	11	NFF Competition	Little Champions Holiday Programme & Summer Soccer	Tournament for top team NFF Talent Centre Trials	9 v 9
	12	NFF Competition	Little Champions Holiday Programme & Summer Soccer	Tournament for top team, NFF Talent Centre Trials & Weir Rose Bowl Tournament	9 v 9
	13-15	Metro Competition & Sport Science Support	Summer Youth Academy & Nike Cup Trials	NFF Talent Centre Trials & NZF National Talent Centres	11 v 11
	16	Metro Competition, ASB Youth League Trials & Sport Science Support	Summer Youth Academy, Open Grade Trials & Nat. u17 Easter Tournament	NFF Talent Centre Trials & NZF National Talent Centres	11 v 11
	17	Metro Competition, ASB Youth League Trials & Sport Science Support	Summer Youth Academy, Open Grade Trials & Nat. u17 Easter Tournament	NFF Talent Centre Trials, NZF National Talent Centres & Nat. u19 Napier Tournament	11 v 11
	19	NFF Sunday Competition, ASB Youth League Trials & Sport Science Support	Summer Youth Academy & Open Grade Trials	NFF Talent Centre Trials, NZF National Talent Centres & Nat. u19 Napier Tournament	11 v 11