



Wimbledon High School is committed to providing a fully comprehensive Tennis Programme for girls of all ages and abilities. The Tennis Programme, managed by Ms Coutts-Wood, the Director of Sport, includes summer curriculum tennis classes, team training, internal and external match opportunities, team training and year-round parent paid co-curricular tennis coaching.

The Co-curricular Tennis Coaching Programme is co-ordinated by Barbara and Danielle Snapes who have a wealth of experience, in on court coaching and managing / coordinating coaching programmes, in Schools and Clubs. All co-curricular tennis coaching sessions are taught by LTA qualified, Professional tennis coaches. All members of the Coaching Team are passionate about tennis and hold valid DBS, Coaching Qualification and Safeguarding qualifications. Please read the following page for the profiles of our coaching team.

The aim of the Co-curricular Tennis Coaching Programme is to:

- Provide quality tennis tuition in a safe, fun environment for girls of all ages and standards.
- Provide a fully comprehensive tennis coaching programme similar to that found in an elite club
- Provide good coach : pupil ratios, limited numbers of players per court and plenty of space to practice.
- Develop the girls' physical and technical attributes relevant to tennis.
- Provide girls with the technique / tactics they require to play the game of tennis at the earliest opportunity.
- Offer a comprehensive support programme/ advice on social and competitive playing opportunities for players of all ages.
- Provide opportunities for girls age 11+ to gain recognised LTA Leaders qualifications and assist professional coaches in delivering lessons and competitions. These are great for personal development, personal statements and CVs as well as being rewarding and a lot of fun.
- Provide support for girls age 13+, undertaking D of E qualifications, in terms of assessing tennis skills and providing tennis volunteering opportunities
- Support girls undertaking Level 1 Tennis Assistant Qualifications and beyond.
- Help with work experience and references.

Club Links

Strong links with multiple tennis organisations and local clubs and we can assist players who seek to gain membership, train and practice elsewhere as well as within the school tennis programme.

Please contact tennis@wim.gdst.net to register interest for any of these sessions or for any other queries about the Co-curricular Tennis Programme

Curriculum and Team Tennis

For curriculum and team tennis enquiries, please contact Miss Cutteridge alexa.cutteridge@wim.gdst.net and Ms Coutts-Wood, catriona.coutts-wood@wim.gdst.net. Ms Coutts- Wood is currently on maternity leave and will be returning for the summer term. This term, please direct any questions, to Miss Cutteridge, who will be able to help with any enquiries in Ms Coutts- Wood's absence.

Kind regards,

Lianne Dellaway
Assistant Director of Sport

Barbara Snapes
LTA Senior Performance Tennis Coach

The WHS Coaching Team

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|  | <p>Barbara Snapes: 1st Class Degree in Mathematics and Education, Diploma in Sports Psychology, LTA Accredited+, Senior Performance Coach. Member of Seniors Club of GB, International Club of GB and AELTC. Played Junior and Senior County tennis, represented British Universities, played Seniors tennis for Surrey, England, GB. Winner of more than 10 National Seniors Tennis titles. Previously developed and managed the Tennis Programme at Roehampton Club and Multi Sports Programme at TWC, worked for AELTC in IT liaison / support. Past recipient of awards acknowledging number of children fed into county training, increasing the number of regularly competing juniors, invited to a National Performance Coach Recognition Day due to my role in the tennis journey of a Grand Slam Doubles Champion.</p> |
|  | <p>Rob Chojnacki: LTA Registered Coach, USPTR Instructor, coached tennis at all levels in Germany and UK. Has represented Surrey Seniors and played German League tennis. Winner Surrey Open Mixed Doubles. Coaches all Junior and Senior sessions at WHS, lead D of E skills assessor. Advises players in the programme on Rackets and provides them with a re-string service.</p> |
|  | <p>Arion Thomas: Arion is an LTA qualified Level 2 Tennis Coach. In addition to coaching at Wimbledon High, Arion also coaches at Rokeby Preparatory School and The Wimbledon Club. Arion has a Degree in Sports Coaching Science and coaches all Junior sessions at WHS and many Senior sessions. In addition to then group sessions we run, Arion is also available for individual sessions in holiday periods and for a limited number of WHS hours.</p> |
|  | <p>Danielle Snapes : LTA Accredited+ Level 3 and RPT qualified coach. Won multiple junior tennis titles, represented Surrey County, played at Junior Nationals, captained and played for Nottingham University 1st team, played top Surrey division National Club League. Previously has assisted at Wimbledon Junior Tennis Initiative and fulfilled coaching and administrative roles at Will to Win. Worked in brand management for Battersea and Macmillan. Worked for Limelight Events on campaigns like Home Run, The Royal Parks Foundation Half Marathon, Nike The Chance Sports Relief.</p> |
|  | <p>Bim Newton: Accredited LTA Level 2 Tennis Coach. Won National Seniors Grass Court and Clay Court Doubles Championships. Competed in the Seniors European Team Championships. Competes in open and seniors Surrey League matches, plays Seniors tennis for Surrey County. Has represented England in Seniors Four Nations Competition. Previously Ladies Tennis Captain at the Roehampton Club.</p> |
|  | <p>Natasha Sherrard: Natasha is an LTA qualified, Level 2 Tennis Coach who has spent 15 years working in the Media and Events industry. Natasha coaches in schools and club settings. Her work in Schools includes SEN sessions, making tennis accessible to children with disabilities. Natasha has played tennis competitively as a Junior and Senior players and currently represents Surrey in Seniors tennis competitions.</p> |
|  | <p>Alison Taylor: Alison is an LTA Level 4, Senior Performance Coach, who has developed multiple players across all levels from mini tennis to Nationally ranked juniors (including Hannah Klugman). Alison is involved in all aspects of tennis and as well as coaching she is a Member of AELTC, an LTA and Surrey Councillor and she has been a competitions referee. She still competes at a high level, captaining and playing for Canada in the world Team Championship. She has won multiple Seniors Tennis Competitions in England and abroad.</p> |
|  | <p>Nik Snapes: Nik is an LTA qualified Level 5 Tennis Coach. He was instrumental in starting up the WHS co-curricular Tennis Programme. Currently Tennis Manager at Roehampton Club but still available to advise high level players of external competitions, scholarships and work experience opportunities. Captained and played for GB in the World Team Championships, played for Surrey O35 County team who won the National Championships, captained the Roehampton Club 1st Team who won top National Division. Nik has previously been a hitter for top pros like: Martina Hingis, Sloane Stephens, Jelena Jankovic etc</p> |