

Wildfire Cheer 2018-19 Recreational Class Information



Dear Parents,

Thank you for your interest in our cheerleading club. We're now able to confirm all of our recreational class times details for the 2018-19 season. There are a few small changes compared to the year just finished so please give everything a read through!

We're looking forward to welcoming lots of new faces to our classes in 2018-19. If you have any questions about any aspect of our club, please contact me by email or telephone.

Kind Regards

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Recreational Class Details & Payment Information

With many cheerleaders choosing to switch to competitive cheerleading this season, next season we will only be offering 3 recreational classes. Our previous recreational class on Tuesdays in Shepshed will move to Wednesdays and there will be no Tinies recreational class in Shepshed.

We will also be moving to paying monthly by direct debit (see details below). Recreational classes only run during school term time, a total of 35 weeks for each class in 2018-19.

Tinies Recreational:

Day: Mondays

Time: 4 to 4:45pm

Location: 6th Form Centre, Charnwood College, Thorpe Hill, Loughborough, LE11 4SQ.

Cost: £12 per month

Age: 4 to 6

In our Tinies recreational classes, children aged 4 to 6 (Foundation Year to Year 1) will learn the basics of tumbling, cheer motions, jumps and some very basic stunts will be introduced. The class is slightly shorter than our other classes (45 minutes) and there will be a big focus on fun! This class is a great start for all children, whether they are interested in competitive cheerleading in the future or not!

Children will work towards our Wildfire Cheer Award certificates and then during the latter part of the year (Easter onwards), will focus on learning a class routine to perform at our annual Wildfire Cheer Summer Showcase which will be in early July 2019 (date TBC).

Mini/Youth Recreational:

Loughborough:

Day: Mondays

Time: 4:45 to 5:45pm

Location: Sixth Form Centre, Charnwood College, Thorpe Hill, Loughborough, LE11 4SQ.

Cost: £15 per month

Age: 6 to 12

Shepshed

Day: Wednesdays

Time: 4:45 to 5:45pm

Location: Newcroft Primary Academy, Trueway Drive, Shepshed, LE12 9DU

Cost: £15 per month

Age: 6 to 12

Our Mini/Youth recreational classes are suitable for slightly older children who perhaps do not want to commit to a competitive team at the moment, but just want to participate in

cheerleading for fun. These classes are for children aged 6+ (must be in at least Year 2). There is no strict upper age limit but the oldest in the class tend to be aged 11 or 12, so we would recommend that older children consider competitive teams.

This class is suitable for both beginners and children who have been attending for a while. We will aim to split children into smaller groups within the class where possible, based on age and experience. Coaches will support children with tumbling at whatever level they are working and we will also practice stunts, pyramids, jumps and dance.

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How to Sign Up

You do not need to fill in any forms or pay anything until your first class but you do need to book to reserve your place. Please just email Hannah@wildfirecheer.com and let us know that you would like a place. Space is limited in all classes so book now to avoid disappointment!

I will send out more information for everyone signed up to classes, as well as confirmed direct debit details in August 2019. If you change your mind between now and then please do let me know so I can offer the space to someone else.

Payment Information

We will be switching to taking all class fees by direct debit from now on. As soon as this is set up I will send everyone full details. Fees will be paid between September 2018 and June 2019 and cover 35 weeks of classes. This still works out to around £3 per week for Tinies classes and £4 per week for Mini/Youth.

New starters will be able to pay weekly for up to a month, however they will then need to switch to direct debit if they wish to commit to the class. Classes are not pay as you go so fees are not refundable if your child misses a week. If your child no longer wants to continue with cheerleading then you are free to cancel your direct debit.

Any other payments (e.g. for T-shirts) can still be made by bank transfer, cash or cheque.

Open Tumbling & Private Tuition

Open Tumbling

This season we will again be offering a Tumbling class on Thursdays in Shepshed. This class is open to both recreational and competitive cheerleaders aged 6+. This season we are looking to introduce more coaching and structure to the sessions so the cost has gone up slightly. The last 20 minutes of open tumbling will still be unstructured and athletes can work on their own goals. Tumbling is not compulsory for competitive cheerleaders but is highly encouraged, as we can only allocate a certain amount of time to tumbling at team training. Open Tumbling will be coached by at least two coaches, to be confirmed.

Time: Thursdays, 6:30 to 7:30pm

Location: Iveshead School Sports Hall, Shepshed

Cost:

- Pay as you go - £3 per session
- Monthly - £10 per month if you add this onto your monthly fees. If you are paying monthly there are no refunds for missed sessions.

Private Tuition

This season we would like to offer private tumbling tuition for all ages. Sometimes a bit of one on one coaching is what an athlete needs to really progress their tumbling. We can offer tumbling privates for just the one athlete, or in groups of up to 4 athletes of similar abilities.

Time: Thursdays, 30 minutes between 5:30 and 7:30pm, depending on coach availability

Location: Iveshead School Sports Hall, Shepshed

Cost:

- £9 for 1 person
- £6 each for 2 people
- £5 each for 3 people
- £4 each for 4 people

Please get in touch if this is something you would be interested in and we will figure out a booking system.

Holiday Sessions & Free Taster Sessions

During August 2018, we will be running several taster sessions geared at potential new members. Since Wildfire Cheer was formed we have worked with Charnwood Borough Council's Holiday Activities Programme to deliver cheerleading taster sessions. We will also be running our own free taster sessions.

We would highly recommend attending a taster session to see if your child enjoys cheerleading before committing to class. Taster sessions are geared towards new starters, but returning members are welcome (please bring along any friends who are interested).

CBC Holiday Activities Sessions:

Date: Friday 10th August 2018

Time: 1 to 2:30pm

Location: Sports Hall (Building B) at Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed, LE12 9DA.

Cost: £6 or £4.50 with CBC Wildcard

Age: 5 to 10

Date: Wednesday 15th August 2018

Time: 1 to 2:30pm

Location: Sports Hall (Building B) at Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed, LE12 9DA.

Cost: £6 or £4.50 with CBC Wildcard

Age: 5 to 10

Booking & Payment

These sessions need to be booked and paid for in advance through Charnwood Borough Council by calling Tel: 01509 634 561 (8.30am - 5pm weekdays). Card payment is required at the time of booking. More information can be found at:

<https://www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/holidayprogrammes>

Free Taster Sessions:

We are also offering the opportunity for potential new members to try cheerleading for free. Our free taster sessions are suitable for those interested in recreational classes, competitive teams, or those who aren't sure yet and just want to give cheerleading a go! We are offering 4 free taster sessions in August 2018, one for each age group. Please use your child's age on 31st August 2018 to determine which session to attend. Do bring along any friends who may be interested!

Although we are offering a taster session for young people aged 12+, as mentioned the oldest children in our recreational classes are 11/12 years old and we won't have a recreational class suitable for teenagers. Instead we recommend our Senior age competitive team (see Competitive Teams Information Pack).

<u>Age</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Location</u>
4 to 6	Monday 20 th August 2018	4 - 4:45pm	Sixth Form Centre, Gate 1, Charnwood College, Thorpe Hill, Loughborough, LE11 4SQ
7 to 8	Thursday 23 rd August 2018	5:30 - 6:30pm	Sports Hall, Building B, Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed, LE12 9DA
9 to 11	Tuesday 21 st August 2018	6:30 – 7:30pm	Sports Hall, Building B, Iveshead School, Forest Street, Shepshed, LE12 9DA
12+	Wednesday 22 nd August 2018	7:30 – 9pm	The Base Gymnastics Centre, Units 8-9, Weldon Road Industrial Estate, Weldon Road, Loughborough, LE11 5RN

Booking

Please book in advance if you would like to attend by emailing Hannah on hannah@wildfirecheer.com. You will also be asked to fill in a short registration form either beforehand or on arrival. If your child is unable to attend the correct taster session for their age, we can be slightly flexible (within reason) and they can attend a different one.

Athletes will need to wear something appropriate for sports such as a top and leggings or shorts. Long hair must be tied back and all jewellery out. For cheerleading we wear trainers, these must be clean trainers that haven't been worn outside (or have been washed). You will not be allowed on the mats with outdoor shoes.