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Bigger, better football camp

THE FOOTBALL HOLIDAY CAMP is back – and it promises to be bigger and better.

After the success of the inaugural camp last year when the Brewster Trust hosted nearly 400 campers, the registered charity is staging a longer camp with new features.

The nine-week camp at Queen's College will run from July 2 to August 31 and will be open to coaches, boys, girls and children with disabilities.

A course for coaches will highlight the first week with age-group camps divided into three sections – 5-9, 10-14 and 15-18 – taking place in the remaining weeks.

Coaching elements will be multifarious with a daily competition based on the session, basic passing techniques developing the range and accuracy of the players, developing the players' basic dribbling and turning techniques and heading sessions including aerial control with the focus on using various parts of the body.

Mini matches

The programme will also include mini matches or a tournament at the end of the respective age-group categories.

This will be followed by presentations to all players as well as top individual awards.

The coaches at the camp are alumni of Arsenal Football Club's Gap Year Programmes 2011-2012.

At the beginning of the programme, which is open to young men and women over the age of 17, participants gain valuable qualifications in coaching, refereeing, first aid and child protection while spending time coaching and teaching in local schools and community soccer schools in and around north London.

The coaching course will be conducted by Tony David, an experienced Arsenal coach who runs the BTEC programme which is a two-year diploma in coaching football.

The most outstanding participant at the coaching course will be awarded a coaching participation at the next Arsenal Gap Year programme

for one month which includes accommodation in England as well as travel costs.
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