

23 February 2026

Dear parents and carers

If your young person is considering joining the Dorking Wanderers Football Academy as part of their GCSE pathway they will need to attend the second (and last) of our **"talent ID" sessions on Friday 27 February, 2:20-3:45pm**. The session will take place here at Carrington School on the Astro. **Students who attended the first talent ID are also required to attend this session as well where possible.**

The talent ID session will give your young person the opportunity to showcase their skills and potential for the Football Academy. We encourage anyone interested to participate, regardless of their level of experience. However, to maximise the experience on the course and meet the demands of training, students should ideally possess the following qualities:

- Team Experience. Some experience of playing in a team, either within the school setting or externally
- Passion for Sport. A genuine passion for sports, especially football
- Respect. The ability to demonstrate respect for staff and adherence to school rules

Participation in the Dorking Wanderers Football Academy will not only enhance footballing skills but also contribute to your young person's overall personal development. Please ensure they come prepared **with appropriate sportswear, footwear, and a water bottle.**

**Students that are interested in the Dorking Wanderers Football Academy should also sign up via the QR code that will be displayed in the Sports Hall at Pathways Evening on Thursday 26 February.**

We look forward to seeing the enthusiasm and talent our Year 9 students bring to this exciting opportunity. If you have any questions please let us know.

Best wishes

**George Broad and Rachel Manley**  
Dorking Wanderers Coaches

