

Despite not kicking a ball in anger, this is proving to be a busy summer for the Football Club!

The main cause of the busyness (if that is a word) have been efforts to give the Recreation Ground a fresh look and smarten-up some of the areas that were looking past their best – which turned out to be quite a lot of things. Some of the tasks that have been completed to date are:

- Repairing, sanding, cleaning and painting the barriers around the senior football pitch.
- Repairing the goalmouths of the senior football pitch.
- Cleaning and repairing the senior goals.
- Cleaning the paving, steps and front of the pavilion (including the removal of graffiti).
- Painting the pavilion doors and areas inside the pavilion.
- Erecting a new storage shed to contain the ever growing amount of equipment.

The above work has involved a lot of hours spent at the Recreation Ground and has provided the opportunity to have chats with the numerous dog walkers and other users of the Rec. The feedback received on the improvements has been great – the aim is now to keep the area looking neat and tidy. The Parish Council have continued to provide support to the Football Club so this has been a very successful joint effort.

Back on the pitch, training for the various teams resumed in August with sights set on another successful year of football. For this season the Club has teams at U8, U9, U10, U12, Senior Saturday, Senior Sunday and Veterans (details of each team can be found on [www.chiseldonfc.co.uk](http://www.chiseldonfc.co.uk)). We have unfortunately lost the Clubs two elder junior teams (U17s and U18s) mainly due to players heading off to university – although this is a sad occasion for the Club it is great to have seen the players progress through the age groups to now becoming senior players. A couple of these players from the village, whom joined the Club as u11s many years ago, are now training with the adult teams which is a real success story.

### **Quiz & Curry evening**

On Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> September (19:30) the Football Club are holding a quiz and curry event at the Chiseldon Sports and Social Club. Tickets are £10per person and include entry to the quiz (max teams of 6) and a selection of curry to choose from. For tickets / further information please contact [Clarke.matthew1@sky.com](mailto:Clarke.matthew1@sky.com)

If you have any questions about the Club, or know of anyone that would like to become involved with football, please feel free to get in touch via [Clarke.matthew1@sky.com](mailto:Clarke.matthew1@sky.com)

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