



Hockey

Hockey at Oakham

Oakham School is one of the top hockey-playing schools in the UK, fielding 75 hockey teams from 1st XI to U11 level for girls and boys.

We run a highly competitive fixture list including schools, clubs, universities and national competitions. Our year-round training and playing programme offers pre-season training camps, indoor and outdoor fixtures in the winter and spring, additional coaching in the summer and overseas tours.

Players at Oakham have access to our first-class facilities 7 days a week, including two sand-dressed hybrid pitches with floodlights, an indoor sports centre and a Strength and Conditioning gym.

Our U18, U16 and U14 Girls' and Boys' teams compete in the Tier 1 National Cup competitions, regularly making it to the final 8 stage of the competition and ranking in the top flight of UK schools.

Our Expertise

Our team of dedicated and highly qualified coaches is led by Director of Hockey Neil Evans, who has extensive county, regional and National League hockey experience. His team includes Alex Cooper who coaches England Universities Men's Hockey and England Over 45's, former GB and Leicester City player Katie Long, and former Director of Hockey Ashley Denman.

Our Coaches



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Performance Pathways

Individual player development is of paramount importance to our hockey programme, making Oakham a superb choice for any student who wishes to play top school and club hockey.

We support our athletes with their hockey journey within the England Hockey Player Pathway by providing access to our own Skills Academy, County and Regional Performance Centres, and Men's and Women's National League Clubs to deliver an exciting, dynamic, and progressive hockey programme for our players.

We have developed excellent relationships with professional clubs and support pupils playing at:

- Beeston Hockey Club
- Leicester Ladies Hockey Club
- Loughborough Students Hockey Club
- Peterborough Hockey Club
- University of Nottingham Hockey Club



Our Hockey Alumni



Crista Cullen MBE ('03)
Two Times Olympic Medal Winner (England)

Matt Ramshaw ('18)
EuroHockey Junior Medallist (England)



Alex Stadler ('15)
World Cup Winner (Germany)

Kathryn Lane ('13)
Commonwealth Games Medallist (England)



Achievement Highlights

Boys 1st XI

2019/2020 T1 National Quarter Finalists
2018/2019 T1 National Quarter Finalists
2017/2018 T1 National Runners-Up
2016/2017 T1 National Quarter Finalists
2015/2016 T1 National Runners-Up
2013/2014 National Plate Champions

Boys 1st VI Indoor

2017/2018 National Runners-Up
2016/2017 National Semi-Finalists

Girls 1st XI

2017/2018 National Finalists
2012/2013 National Finalists

Girls U16

2023/2024 National Finalists

Sport at Oakham



From absolute beginners to elite athletes, Oakham School offers excellent coaching in a wide choice of sports, helping pupils to develop a love of fitness and sport.

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