

# **SESSION PLAN –** Sapphires Curriculum

G8 – G9

Session #1

# WHATS BEST FOR HER!

SET UP: Define the 30m x 20m	Extra cones for s	plitting the field fo	field for games Goals ready when n		ary
CONES: 10x colour, 10x colour	BIBS: ½ number of players		BALLS: 1 x players		
END GAME - 2v2s - 25 minutes		LET THEM PLAY!!			
SKILL TRAINING - SUPERHEROES - 15minutes		FUN ENGAGING GAME			
SKILL INTRODUCTION - MRS WOLF - 10 minutes		FUN ENGAGING GAME WITH/WITHOUT BALL			
ARRIVAL ACTIVITY – TRAFFIC LIGHTS - 10 minutes		ENGAGE THE PLAYERS AS SOON AS THEY ARRIVE			

# **ARRIVAL ACTIVITY – TRAFFIC LIGHTS**

#### EXERCISE:

- Each player has a ball dribbling around the area performing ball mastery skills, listening for instructions from the coach. BALL = CAR
- Coach calls out What happens at a RED light?
  STOP (aka. Sole of foot on the ball), GREEN light?
  Go (aka. dribble)
- Practice this, different coach instructions:
- Windscreen wipers dribble with the ball between the inside of both feet (make the sounds!)
- Traffic Jam Have the kids stop the ball, sit on it and pretend to honk at the car in front (make noise!)
- Petrol Players must dribble to an outside cone and perform toe-taps – placing the sole of their foot on the top of their ball consecutively.



- Race Car Players must dribble like a race car (FAST!) for 10 seconds.
- U-Turn Players must complete a turn i.e. Drag back
- Ask the players to create their own!

# COACHING POINTS:

- Keep the ball close.
- Ensure players have head up to ensure they don't crash the car

# PHYSICAL LITERACY:

 Physical: How quick are the players reacting to coach call, bonus points for fast reactions

# **SKILL INTRODUCTION – MRS WOLF**

### EXERCISE:

- Players have a ball each and line up on the one end line with the coach opposite them on the other end line.
- Players yell "WHATS THE TIME MRS WOLF?!"
- The coach responds with a time, e.g. "10 O'CLOCK"
- The players must dribble forward *only taking 10* touches then stop and put their foot on the ball. Time= number of touches!
- Repeat with different times until the players get close to the coach.
- To end the round the coach yells "DINNER TIME", the players must quickly dribble back to the start line without letting the coach tackle them.

### **PROGRESSION:**

- Left of Right foot only
- Toe Taps (Windscreen wipers in last game)



- Sole Taps (Petrol in last game)
- Players be the Wolf

#### **COACHING POINTS:**

- Keep the ball close
- Head up, chest tall when dribbling
- Use the sole of your foot to turn away from the wolf (U-Turn in last game)

#### PHYSICAL LITERACY:

• Physical: Speed in which players can start and stop





Can you C.H.A.N.G.E I.T?



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#### **SKILL TRAINING – SUPERHEROES**

# EXERCISE:

- Nominate 2 players to be the SUPERHEROES and the remaining players are the VILLIANS.
- The VILLIANS need a ball each and the SUPERHEROES do not have a ball and hold a bib in their hand.
- The superheroes must throw their bib at the VILLAINS' ball.
- If a Superhero hits their ball, the villain is 'caught' and must freeze where they are.
- To be unfrozen a fellow villain must make eye contact and say their name.
- Give the Superheroes 90-120 seconds to freeze the villains and save the day!
- Swap the SUPERHEROES after every round

#### **PROGRESSION:**

- SPECIAL POWER if a villain does a skill move (i.e. Toe Taps, Side Roll, Drag Turn) they cannot be caught for 3 seconds!
- Superheroes now must dribble a ball

### **KEY COACHING POINTS**

# **Ball Mastery**

- When running and dribbling take lots of small touches with the ball close to your foot
- Use the RIGHT and LEFT foot when dribbling, alongside inside and outside of your foot

#### Dribbling

- Dribble into free space, away from defenders
- To accelerate when dribbling, players must get the ball out in front of them.
- Encourage players to have their head up when dribbling to see where space and the defenders are

# END GAME - 2v2 GAMES

#### EXERCISE:

- Use those spare cones to split the area into two fields
- Pair vs Pair. Trying to score into the goals/cone gates
- Run each game for 4 minutes.
- Collect the scores and sort pairs to vs someone different
- After all teams have vs each other, announce the winner!

#### **COACH OBSERVATIONS:**

- Are games competitive, if not swap pairs
- Are players confidently dribbling?
- Are players trying skills they have learnt from the session like toe taps, drag back

# END OF SESSION - Conduct a Q & A with your players to test their learning!

# At the end of the session ask the players:

What they enjoyed the most?

#### **COACH REFLECTION**

What did the players enjoy? What worked/did not work?

# COACHING POINTS:

Head up looking around to see superheroes and stuck villains

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• Remember to call for "HELP" when frozen.

# PHYSICAL LITERACY:

Psychological: Encourage players to be brave and perform special power to get away from superhero



What they have learnt from the session?

What would you do differently next time?

Tell the team and individuals what they did well

