



Helping youngsters get back to the table

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Our Return to the Table campaign is all about getting players back to enjoying table tennis as covid restrictions lift, and encouraging people to try the sport for the first time – this week we are focusing on the younger generation.

Clubs up and down the country are doing amazing work to get new young players into the sport and give them the great experiences they have missed throughout the pandemic – whether that's making new friends, building bonds with coaches or even feeling the thrill of mastering their first serve.

Our flagship TT Kidz initiative is a fun, engaging and inspiring programme which is designed for children aged 7-11. For any child who takes part, it will ignite their passion for the game, motivating them to continue once the eight-week programme has finished.

We are now taking bookings for sessions starting at 28 venues around England in October – [find your local TT Kidz session by clicking here](#).

The eight weekly sessions are delivered by fantastic, qualified coaches and activators who teach children the basic skills that are needed for every sport and for their physical development.

When you sign up, your child will receive a kit bag which includes a T-shirt, a bat, balls and an activity book, meaning the fun can continue at home! The kit bag means they can play anywhere, any time and have something to call their own.



In addition to the 8 week-programme, clubs can sign up to the TT Kidz awards, which is the perfect way for children to thrive, grow their confidence and show off their achievements. [Find out more here.](#)

Children can also access our [play at home sessions.](#)

TT Kidz is not the only way young players can get into the sport – if you want to find your local club, or other places to play near you, including outdoor Ping! tables and Ping Pong Parlours, use our [Table Finder.](#)

For young players who are already experienced but are returning to the sport after the pandemic, why not consider entering a local competition? [Click here](#) to visit the competitions page on our website and find a tournament near you.

And for information about how to get into table tennis through your school, [click here.](#)

The Return to the Table campaign runs until September 27th – to find out more about it, including our celebration fortnight from **August 30 to September 13**, when we are inviting clubs, leagues, coaches and community venues to run their own open days, [click here.](#)

Remember, all events will be entered into a prize draw and the organisers could **win a £500 grant or a visit from a top England player** to their venue!

Over the course of the campaign we are offering **FREE access to the online TT Activator Award**, which would usually cost £35, to valid members of Table Tennis England.

The online TT Activator workshop has been designed to provide all TT Activators with the tools to run fun and engaging activities in various playing environments. The workshop will provide you with the opportunity to learn the rules of table tennis, the basic technique and some fun and engaging game ideas. It will also give you some tips to ensure inclusivity, allowing everyone to participate regardless of their age, gender, health or ability.

[Click here to book a place.](#)

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