

England Youth Squad named for 2016/17

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Table Tennis England has named a 23-strong England Youth Squad for the 2016/17 season.

It follows a series of physical and technical assessments held over the summer.

The squad will attend monthly training camps at weekends and during school holidays and will work with national coaching staff on an individual or smaller group basis in between sessions.

They will also all be given individual fitness and training programmes to further their development to give them a chance to compete for England Leopards on the international stage.

Table Tennis England's National Youth Coach Matt Stanforth said: "This year, we had more applications than before and the standard year-on-year is improving.

"The big emphasis in the squad this year is on developing our fitness and on a close correlation between practice and match-play so we are able to compete more consistently on the international stage and deal with the pressures that come with competing at the top level."

Squad

Juniors: Josh Bennett, Joe Clark, Harry Dai, James Hobson, Jonny McMullan, Denise Payet, Alex Ramsden, Shayan Siraj, James Smith, Olly Tyndall. **Cadets:** Reece Chamdal, Ruby Chan, Sophie Chiang, Sam Chesterman, Joe Cope, Amirul Hussain, Jamie Liu, Mollie Patterson, Darcie Proud, Ethan Walsh, Hannah Ward, Josh Weatherby, Jasmin Wong.

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