



## Parents given questionable advice on twitter

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A new Twitter page has been offering 'useful' advice to parents of table tennis players\*.

The page's bio states that the advice is given by a "U.K. table tennis parent. Roughing it in soulless sports halls observing parent etiquette so you don't need to".

[@tpparenttips](#) has now posted more than 75 pieces of advice and we've highlighted a selection below.

DON'T pay for the car park until you've checked your child's draw for cadet/junior nationals- you may only need an hour

– TT Parents Tips ([@tpparenttips](#)) [May 2, 2017](#)

At a larger venue – make your child wear a yellow shirt.  
They will hate it . You will find them. Pink also works

– TT Parents Tips ([@tpparenttips](#)) [April 6, 2017](#)

NEVER use a time out to tell your child the football score

– TT Parents Tips ([@tpparenttips](#)) [March 5, 2017](#)

DONT assume that your child's hours on Xbox is time wasted . Shooting pedestrians in the head on GTA will improve their forehand drive.

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [May 13, 2017](#)

NEVER remind your child of the nets and edges THEY got when they're complaining about how many the winning oppo had

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [April 13, 2017](#)

When bored at a tournament, cause confusion by shouting "Soft Hands!" at your 9 year old during a match – No one knows what this means .

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [March 19, 2017](#)

If your club has more then 3 players, DO rename it a "table tennis academy " – scares the opposition  
[#tabletennisacademy](#) [#tabletennis](#)

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [February 3, 2017](#)

Don't fret when your 14yo gets home from a Local league match at 1am on a school night . Its good practice for when they go to nightclubs

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [February 23, 2017](#)

DO always carry a large tripod , even if you're not filming your child's matches . There's always the chance you could trip the oppo

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [February 18, 2017](#)

Gain respect among other parents by pretending that you understand "count back" . [#tabletennis](#)

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [February 6, 2017](#)

DO NOT suggest that your kid mightn't have lost 3-0 to a person 300 pts below them if they'd warmed up on a table instead of an iPhone

– TT Parents Tips (@tpparenttips) [February 18, 2017](#)

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