## **Upcoming Player Grading from U10**

Dear Brothers Members.

As we approach the start of the 2024 season and in line with Football Queensland's decision to introduce Academies into each club this year, we wanted to inform you about an import aspect of our player development strategy. We have decided to start the process of grading our players from the age of U10.

While we understand there may be a desire for teams to stay together, our intention is not to breakup teams or player friendship but to try and create teams where players can continue to grow based on their skill level. Enjoyment of the of the game is our priority and moving a child into a team/grade with kids of a similar passion for the game is our intention.

Player grading is an integral part of our commitment to continuous improvement as a club and ensuring that each player receives specific training and feedback for their growth.

The key objectives of the player grading system include:

- **Individual development**: By evaluating players on various aspects of their game, we can identify strengths and areas for improvement. This insight guides our coaches in crafting targeted training programs for enhanced skill development.
- **Team Formation**: Grading helps in forming teams that are aligned based on skill and competitive nature into the Kangaroo grade and a more social level into the Wallaby grade. This will provide a conducive environment for both competitive matches and a positive team spirit to ensure a fair and enjoyable experience for all players.
- **Communication**: We believe in transparent communication, and player grading allows us to provide constructive feedback to players and families. This helps everyone understand the areas where improvement is needed and celebrates the achievements already made.

Please be assured that this process is not meant to be solely competitive but rather a tool to support the growth and enjoyment of each player. We encourage open dialogue between players, parents and coaches to ensure a collaborative and supportive environment throughout this process.

Thank you for your commitment to Brothers Townsville Football Club and we look forward to a successful grading process.

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