

# Learn to Sail

## *Pirates at Priory Sailing Club*

In the past we have had the flexibility to welcome all who came to priory without prior booking. However, as pirates has become so popular, and because we are limited in numbers by safety, and to avoid disappointment pre booking is advisable on the application form provided

If you need further help please telephone Tony Ogborn on 01234 708010



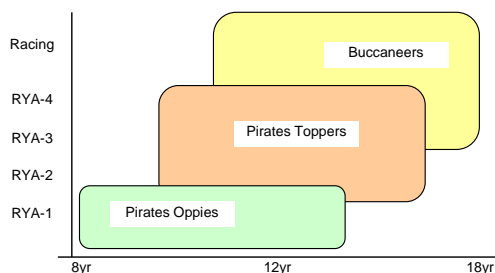
**Priory Sailing Club Bedford**

<http://www.priorysc.org.uk>



# PIRATES

Pirates is open to all children wishing to learn to sail and advance through the RYA's youth training scheme.



Depending on age and previous experience, the Pirates scheme offers a choice of two entry levels, both of which lead through to recognised RYA2 certification.

You can join as a Pirate Member for these sessions for £20.

All pirate sessions are free to club members but please book your place.

Adult volunteer helpers are needed for these courses. No previous experience necessary !!



Pirates sessions also offer the chance for huge amounts of fun, with games as well as tuition from qualified instructors.

You need to bring a complete change of clothing (including footwear) and a towel because you will get wet !

Wet suits are available on very cold days.

A parent / responsible adult must remain on site with children during Pirates sessions and assistance with getting equipment out, rigging craft and putting equipment away will be welcomed !



## Pirates - Oppies

The Optimist dinghy is a smaller craft, but with good stability and a spacious cockpit, and a smaller (adjustable) sail area – making it an ideal training craft for the younger student.

The Oppy holds up to two students - allowing on-water support from either/both Trainer or a fellow student.

## Pirates - Toppers

The Topper is a popular sailing craft, for both training purposes right through to international competitive racing. Due to its weight and sail-size it is more suited to students in the older age range.

When you are confident in sailing you may wish to progress to Buccaneers to learn dinghy racing. Buccaneers practice on Sunday afternoons and eventually you may be invited to join the Priory Race Squad who race at Topper & Heron Open Meetings. One Topper open will be at PSC.

