The coaching runs on a Saturday afternoon from 3.15-4.15pm (Advanced) and 4.30 – 5.30pm (Development) spread through April-June and mid-August - early October. This is backed up by regular competitions in the form of 5, 6 and 9 hole medals, played in the stableford format, run either on a Saturday afternoon following the Advanced session or on a Sunday afternoon. These competitions are an important element of the practical application of the skills which they learn.  
  
Progression from Development to Advanced is based on an ongoing assessment of skill demonstration during lessons and practical application on the course. We assess each child after each lesson and maintain a record of their progress through the season. We normally adjust which stage the children take coaching in at the end of June and end October.  
  
We aim to coach children through to either full handicap or a social golf skill level on completion of their coaching. The Advanced group will be given starting handicaps of 54, which allows them to make clear progress during the season via the medal competitions. Those obtaining handicap are then eligible to play in our Junior golf competitions.  
  
Whilst the coaches can teach the skills necessary for the children to develop their golf, it is essential that parents participate by taking their children onto the course either for casual golf and/or take them round the course during the medal competitions. Practise makes perfect!  
  
Parents who wish to find out more about the programme and how they can help should initially contact us through juniorcoaching@petercultergolfclub.co.uk  
  
It is important that children are warmly clothed in the early part of the season and always have wet weather clothes in their golf bag. We do have a small selection of clubs that can be used by the children, but parents should aim to obtain a small set of clubs (pitching wedge, 7 iron, 5 iron, driver and putter as a minimum) and a bag to keep them in. Clubs should be properly fitted to the child and advice on this can be had from our Pro Ross McConnachie, in the Pro shop.