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As Sports Parents, we are all doing our best to support our children in their sporting lives. Trying to find expert information on the best way to support them can be a challenging experience, so it is fantastic that Sport NZ have put together the Balance is Better website with lots of information for parents, coaches and sports administrators.

With this document, Nuku Ora has picked a number of resources from the website as well as resources from other websites which we feel will best support you on your sports parenting journey. The resources have been organised and split into sections so you are able to utilise the most relevant section to you as a parent at a particular time.

For more resources, visit <http://www.balanceisbetter.org.nz> and don't forget to sign up for their newsletter to receive updates and resources straight to your inbox.

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[Setting our kids up for success and what it takes to be a Good Sports parent webinar](#)

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2. LOOKING AFTER THE HEALTH & WELLBEING OF YOUR CHILD

[A parents guide to child growth and development](#)

[Key ways parents can use sport to develop a growth mindset in their child](#)

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[Drug Free Sport New Zealand - Keeping your child's sport clean – tips for parents and whānau](#)

[NZ Football Fit4Football website](#)

3. SPORTS NUTRITION FOR YOUR CHILD

[Nutrition 101 for adolescent athletes - what all parents and coaches should know](#)

[Nutrition 102 for adolescent athletes: the vitamins and minerals you should be concerned with](#)

[Nutrition for adolescent athletes who participate in endurance sports](#)

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6. SUPPORTING YOUNG FEMALE ATHLETES

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[Raising Sporty Daughters webinar](#)

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[Does my Sport Bra fit?](#)

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[The Netball NZ Smart Health handbook](#)

[England Netball - Netball her](#)

7. SAFEGUARDING YOUR CHILD

[Sport NZ - Child safeguarding bite-sized learning series](#)

[NZ Rugby – Safe Clubs, Safe Kids](#)

[NZ Football – Safeguarding children](#)



8. SUPPORTING YOUNG ATHLETES WITH IMPAIRMENTS

[Parenting the next Sophie Pascoe or Liam Malone](#)

[Parent guide to inclusion](#)

[Parenting a Child With an Intellectual Disability](#)

[Physical activity for children and teenagers with disability](#)

9. OTHER RESOURCES

[Parents in sport podcast](#)

[Changing the Game \(American youth sports website\)](#)

[I Love to watch you play \(American sports parents website\)](#)

[inCourage: https://www.incourage.com/hubs/parents/](https://www.incourage.com/hubs/parents/)

[The United States Olympic & Paralympic Committee – Quality Parenting Framework](#)

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