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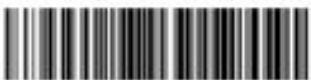
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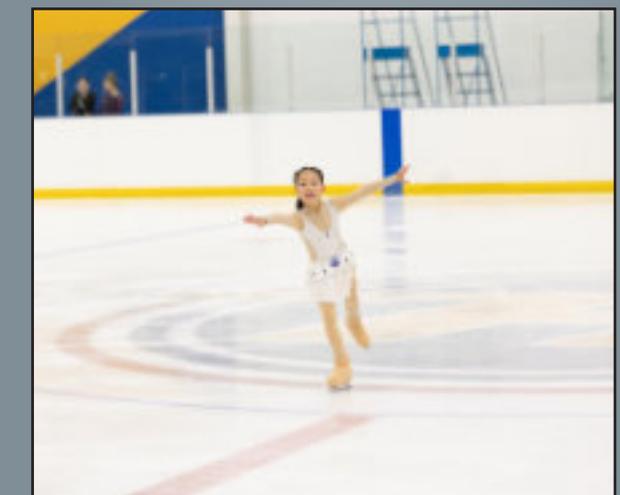
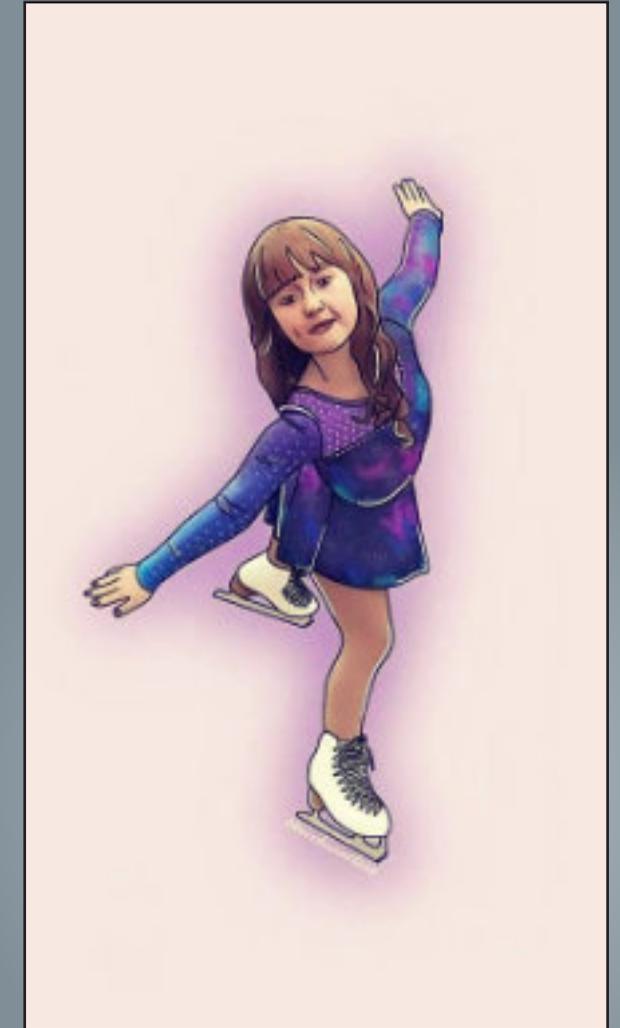
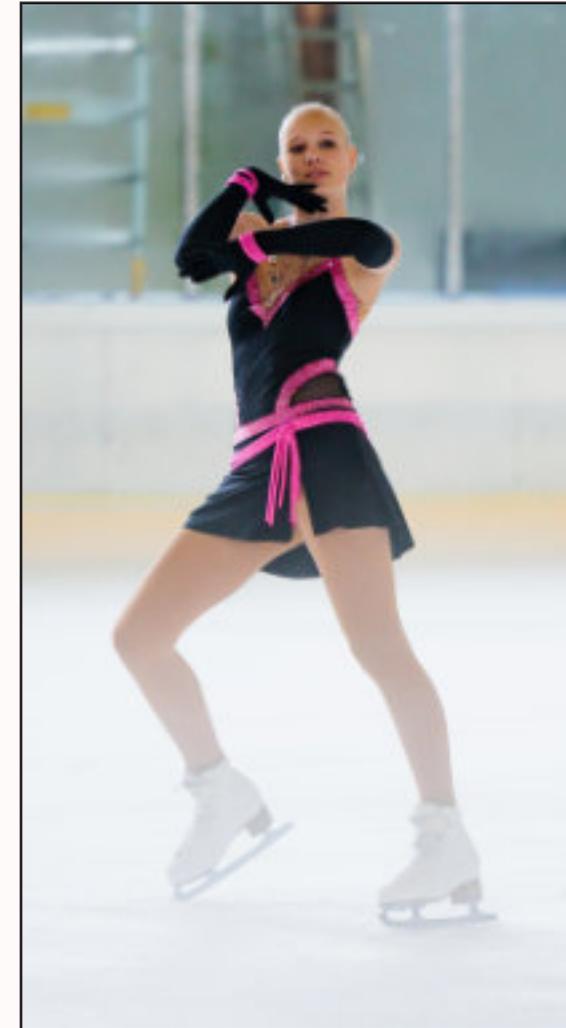
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Abdiel Aponte



My little brother Abdiel Aponte is only 10 years old. He started skating at the age of 7 years old. One of the challenges he face was a coach telling him and I that Abdiel my be too late to play hockey at his age. We were told that most hockey players start at the age of 5 or younger. One thing Abdiel has that I have thought him is to never quit and to never let anyone tell him that he can't do anything. Next

thing you know I had him on the ice giving it his all. In less than a year he is playing for a team and became a starter for his team. Other achievement that Abdiel has had is getting a hat trick as well as being an honorary guess at a battle of the badges for the boys & girls club where he got to drop the puck. Abdiel goals " is to always try to be the best at every I do never do less".





My name is Adonia Marshall I am 10 years old .

I found my love for ice skating when I was 7 half years old , at a open air ice rink in Aberdeen at Christmas Market, that's where the story began , and never looked back I've skating has helped me on si many levels not just a sport but gas made be have a focus in life , helped Mt so much wuth confidence and my health issues thatch suffered with over the years.

I'm not sure where I'd be with out ice skating .

I was dignosed with verbal dyspraxia and lauagage disorder when was 6 years old, I glhave always been into sport and tryed many but with lauagage disorders , groups sports where to overwhelming and didn't work out.

Again I found ice skating very relaxing and solo sport I could practice and achieve at my own pace.

The ice definitely my happy place, I tajej to it so quickly I skipped few grades and quickly worked up my grades .

I love the speed and how fast I could go , I had no fear and the ice rink felt like home .

Unfortunately in covid 19 lock down came and I became very ill with serious headaches , stomach cramps , fatigue, and generally not good .

I was dignosed with cealiac disease abd cognitive memory impairment.

Still even through illness i put my off ice skates on and practiced in my back garden or any where I could find .

The ice rinks where starting to open and I decided to go to rink that opened first further away from aberdeen , I lived just as much but unfortunately noticed my health waant the same, I found 2 new coaches who have been extremely surrportive abd understanding.

Nicole Henderson has been amazing and she the most understanding coach ever.

She always takes my health memory in to consideration , and still very encouraging.

My mam had discovered inclusive ice skating, this fir children abd adults wuth hidden health challages and disabilities, after speaking with my coach they decided , it was thd best way forward.

Mam got intouch with a lady called margarita sweeny who is founder and director of inclusive iceskating Scotland.

And now a member and skated of inclusive iceskating, and very proud to skate for them as well my coaches



Adonia Marshall

Nicole Henderson and Ann Cronin .

I have just entered my work competition for inclusive ice skating .

I will not let my health stop me from something I love so much,

My ice skating has brought me on such a journey, I have accomplished so much with it .

I have also been in the local newspaper for building a home rink which I hope to do this year.

my achievements are different from regular skaters, I might take a little longer , but I think inclusive ice skaters are extremely special, I'm very passionate and hope to hear more rinks talk and teach inclusive ice skating .

I love what I do and hope this story inspires you to do something you love ♥ .

Don't let anything stop you.

Believe you can and you will.

Love Adonia Iceskating Adventures.

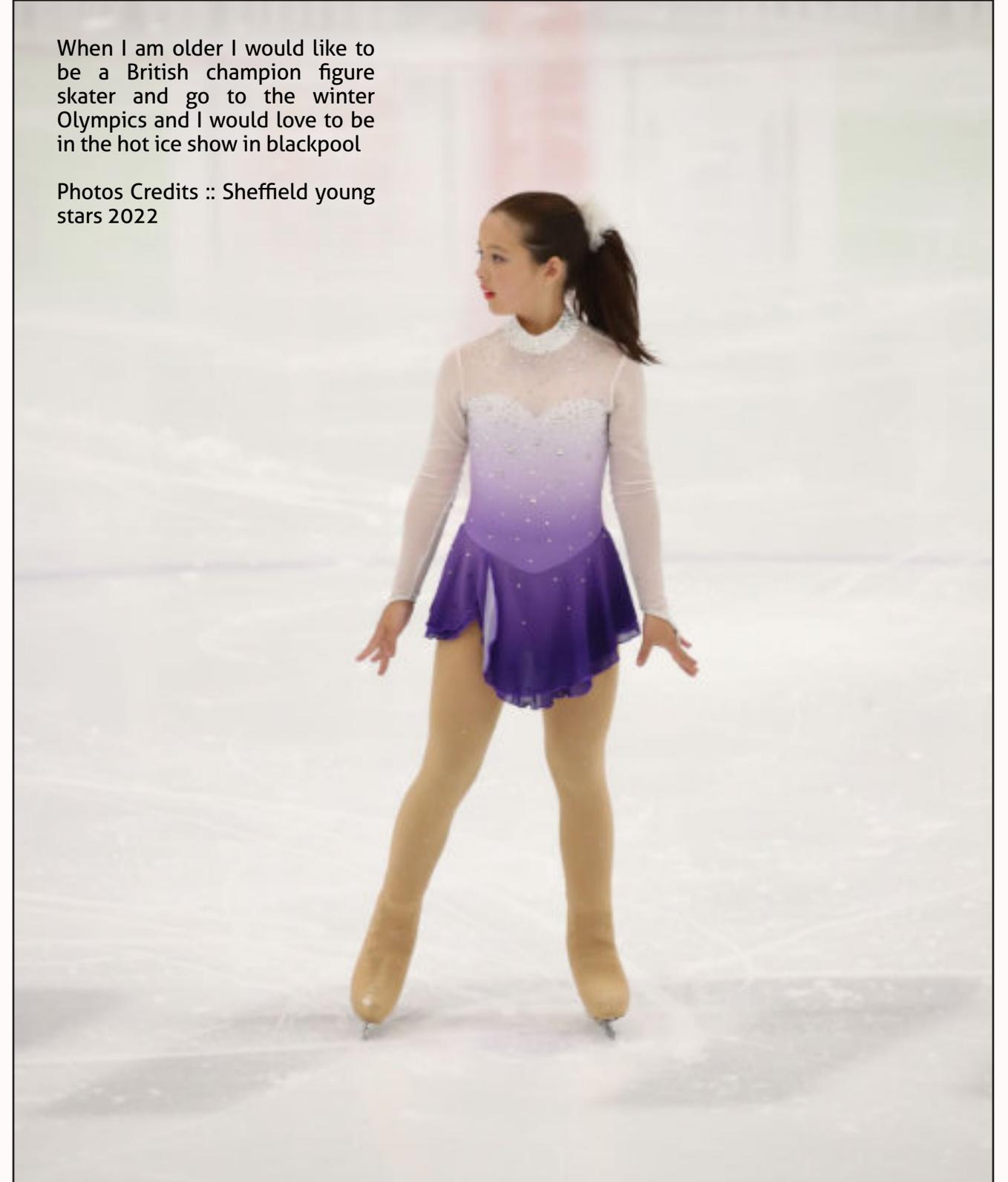






When I am older I would like to be a British champion figure skater and go to the winter Olympics and I would love to be in the hot ice show in blackpool

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Hi my name is Ellie Needham, I'm a 9-year-old figure skater and live near Sheffield here in the UK. I first tried skating at Ice Sheffield when I was five years and fell in love with it. I started to progress through the Skate UK program but with Covid closing the ice rinks this left me with only the off-ice skates to practice on in the local area. I was lucky to have such a supportive coaching network at Ice Sheffield with online fitness and flexibility classes and lots of moral support from the ice coaches. Thank you, my coach Brooke Spencer you were fantastic, leading the way forward with the remote off-ice practice.

Once the ice rink had reopened it was full steam ahead quickly finishing off the Skate UK program and putting in more hard work on real ice with my fabulous coach Heather Barnes who also put together for me a beautiful program ready for my first competition. My first time in front of the judges was with a local SSJ competition in Sheffield, although I was very nervous the atmosphere was warm and everyone very friendly finishing 2nd and getting on the podium. It was then off to my first ever national competition.

We set off in the early hours of a cold February morning heading to Billingham for the North East Opens. I loved every minute of it and wasn't nervous at all. I looked amazing in a beautiful blue dress and was over the moon with a 13th place, I felt I had learned so much from the experience and will forever love Billingham. Following on from Billingham I then went on to compete in Sheffield March young stars followed by the Blackpool ice festival where I finish 5th. I then again entered our local SSJ where this time I finished 1st and also won the Kelly Buddery Best Performance Trophy which meant so much to me.

My last competition in the beginner category was in the July young stars competition at my home rink of Sheffield, I managed to finish 3rd and was delighted and overjoyed everyone was so kind it just blew me away. A few days later I passed my level 1 and have been concentrating on expanding my routine. My goal now is



Ellie Needham

achieving my level two by the end of this year and work on a new program with Heather for next year. By the end on next year I hope to have worked my way up to basis novice.

During my skating career I have always enjoyed supporting and taking part in the Ice Sheffield Christmas show, it's always a brilliant performance and I'd recommend you all to go see

it if you can. My dreams are to progress to the best I can achieve, and I'd love to have a solo spot at the Christmas show one day. The skating friends I have been lucky enough to make during this time are the best anyone can hope for and I know I'll keep forever.

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My name is Eloise Jones. I am 5 years old and have been skating 16 months. I live and train in Sheffield.

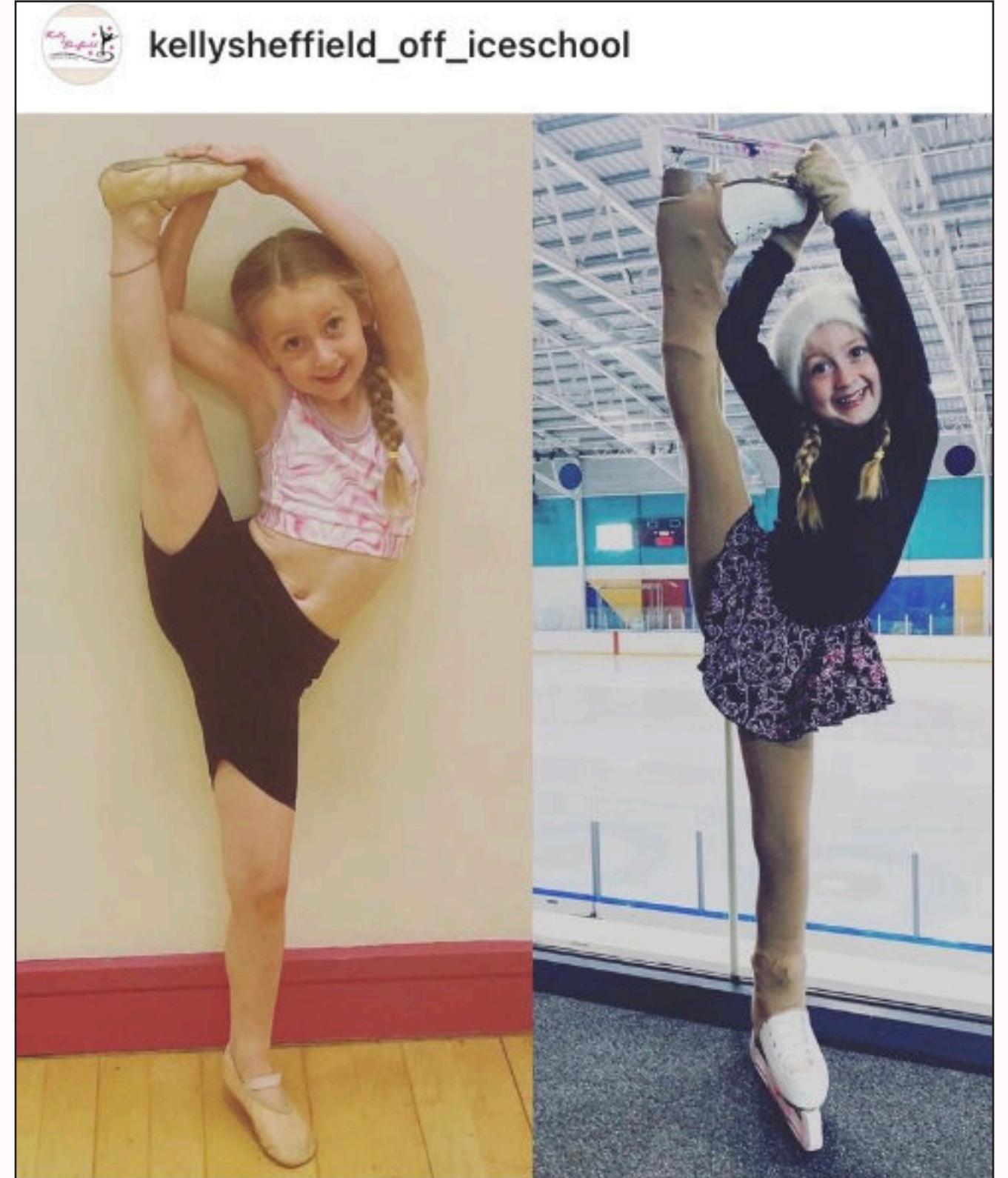
I have passed all of skate uk and just passed skate uk star making me a Beginner now. I am really excited to start working on my program. I

Love being on the ice and my favourite move is a teapot. I am currently working hard to master a sit spin.

In the future I hope to enter lots of competitions and maybe one day be a professional Ice skater and it would be a dream to make it to the olympics and even be a professional on dancing on ice! Where ever I am I love to be practicing my off ice moves as well stretching and fitness is really important to me.

I will continue to practice hard and enjoy ever moment on the ice and become the best I can be.





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Isaura Smets

My name is isaura Smets. I'm a figure skater since a year now. I started to go with a friend from my class for a try-out but from the moment I set a foot on the ice, I lost my heart to it, so I went in the beginning every Saturday morning. In January 2021, I applied for figure skating and I started to train every Tuesday and Friday evening. I look forward to go 2 times a week, I love this sport with all my heart ❤️. I learned so much in the past year and I hope to learn so much more. I also take private lessons to accomplish my flexibility skills.

My goals are to go next year into the ice skating competition and in a few years to be at the top 🏆 I'm prepared to train hard for this and to accomplished everything there is to accomplish. This is everything for me and my mom is my biggest fan, she supports me in everything I do, she's always there to cheer me up if something doesn't work right away, but she knows that I train hard! I love everything about this sport, the hard training, the clothes, the ice... It's what I want to do in my life and in my future ❤️







My name is Jorine Veurink and I am 15 years old. I live in Belgium but I am born in the Netherlands. I have always dreamt of figure skating but only had the opportunity to join a club at age of 10. I am skating for Die Swaene in Heist op den Berg in Belgium. I love to skate on my home-rink but train wherever there is ice available. I started competition at age of 12. For figure skating this is pretty late, but I have been training hard and a lot of hours to make up the time.

Ever since I started I have been very motivated and enjoy every single minute on the ice. Unfortunately the Covid pandemic hit hard. We all lost precious time in training and competing. But last season 2021/2022 was for me personally a important year. I have reached my goals, actually beyond what I could have dreamt off, during last season. this was only possible with a great coaching team and my example & personal coach Annemie De Preter, I am proud to have won actually some B-competitions and have become B-Champion in the Basic Novice level. This year I will start as a B-Intermediate Novice level skater and my ambition will be to train to progress to the Advanced Novice level. I would love to start working on 2A and some triples, it would be a dream to come true if I can achieve this in the future. Beyond training and competing you will find me at the local rink to work; giving training @DSH- our club, giving lessons for the start to skate sessions but also to work at the rink cafeteria. Lessons need to be payed-right?! :-).Just kidding. I love to skate with all the little ones. They inspire and motivate me. Their smile make me smile.

This year I will also start with a first trainer course. To get more insight on how to teach and how to bring across technique and skating skills.

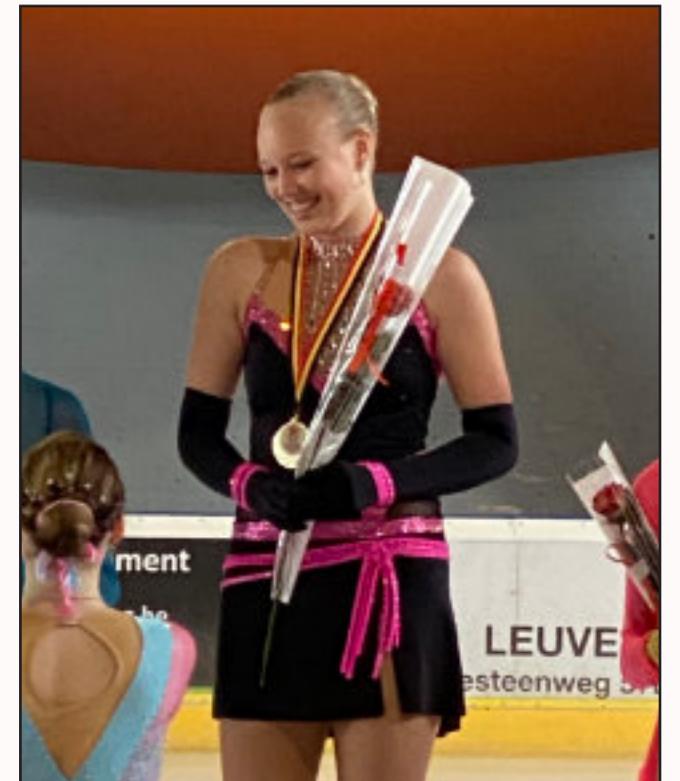
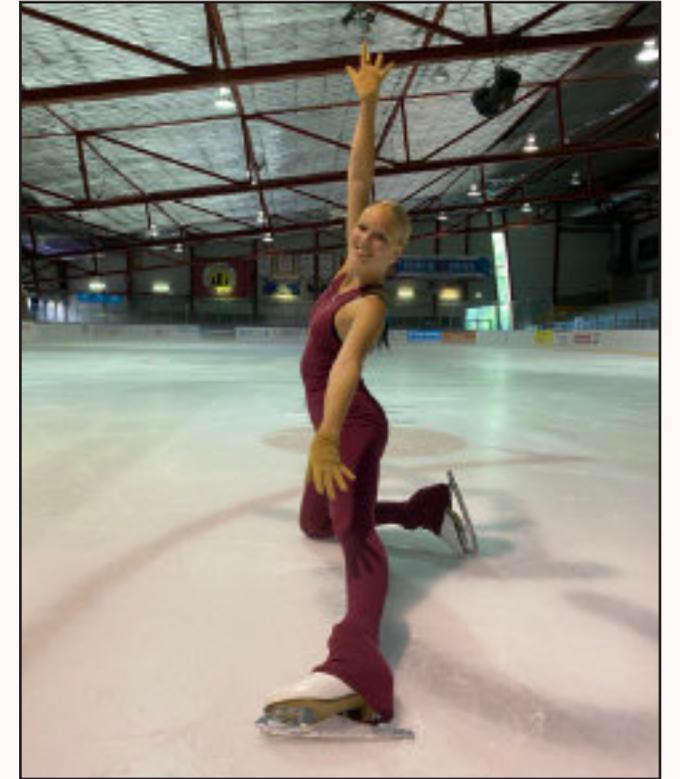
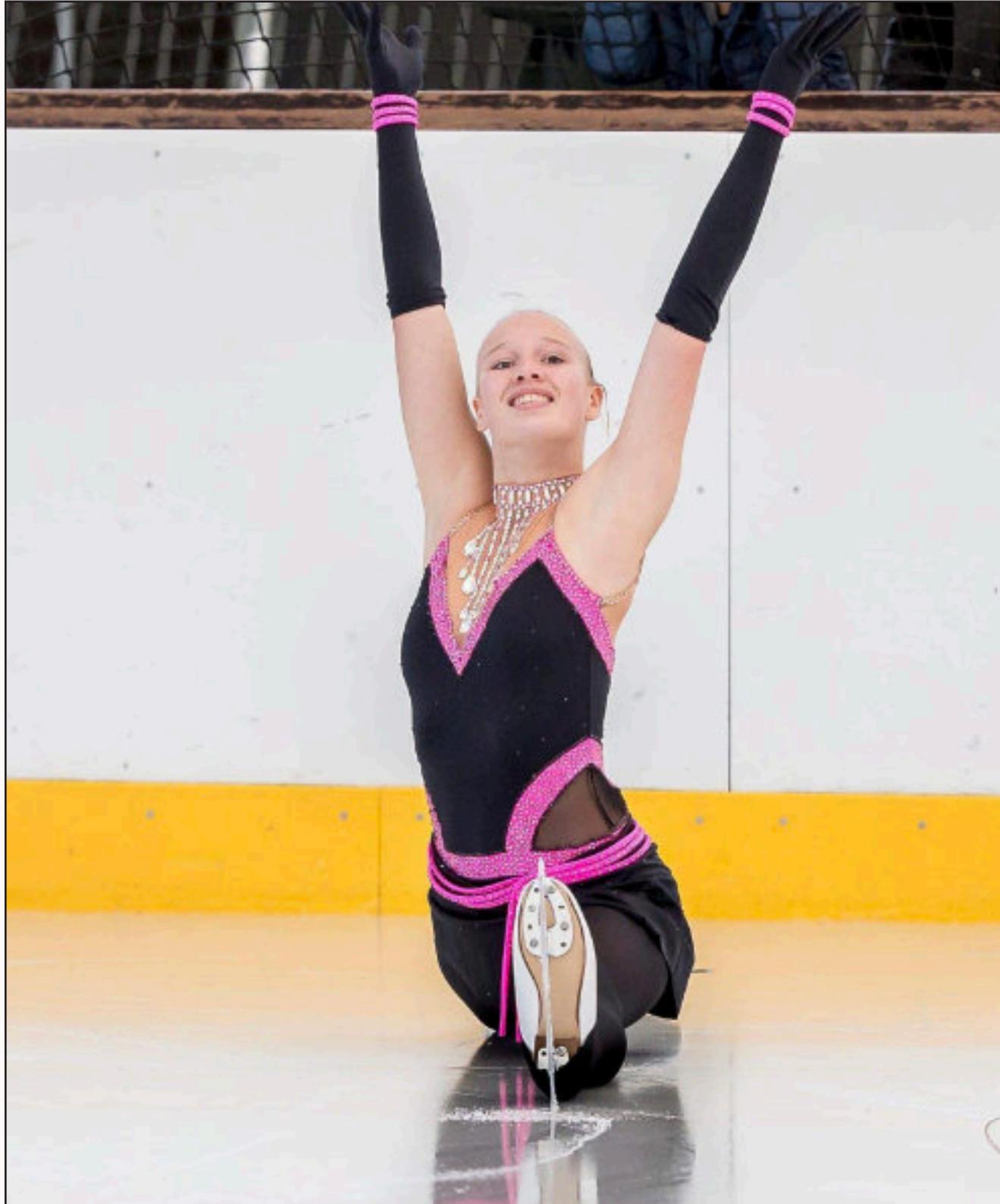
I hope to be a example for every skater that wants to start but doubts if they can succeed. If you ENJOY IT your are successful no matter if you win or lose, equal at what level or age you are!!

Just step on the ice & smile and practice. I love it & will continue to share my passion.

xx Jorine

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Léandre Maillard



My name is Léandre Maillard, I am 9 years old and I live in Consdorf in Luxembourg.

I started figure skating in 2018 when I was just 4 years old at the CH-PL (Club Hiversport Patinage Luxembourg). It was just for fun to start with but nevertheless after some months I was asked to join the the club's young talent group and the year after the competition group.

This season I will train 11.5 hours a week with my coaches Agnes Zawadzki and Daniel Aggiano. Due to COVID I started to compete for the first time last season. I finished 3rd at our national championship in my category which was mixed with boys and girls.

I participated in many shows during ice hockey games, Christmas gala at our public rink, a Christmas gala in an outdoor temporary rink, finally to our club gala. I also have taken part in skating camps at IceLab with Rosy Murante in Bergamo, Italy and at Bootcamp by Jorik Hendrickx with Jorik Hendrickx in Hasselt, Belgium.

I love to be on the ice, feel the wind on my face. I love to compete. I would like to improve a lot in figure skating and why not become a great champion! I am also dreaming of the Olympics. My idols are Adam Siao Him Fa, Nathan Chen and Shuma Uno. One day I will jump quads like them!

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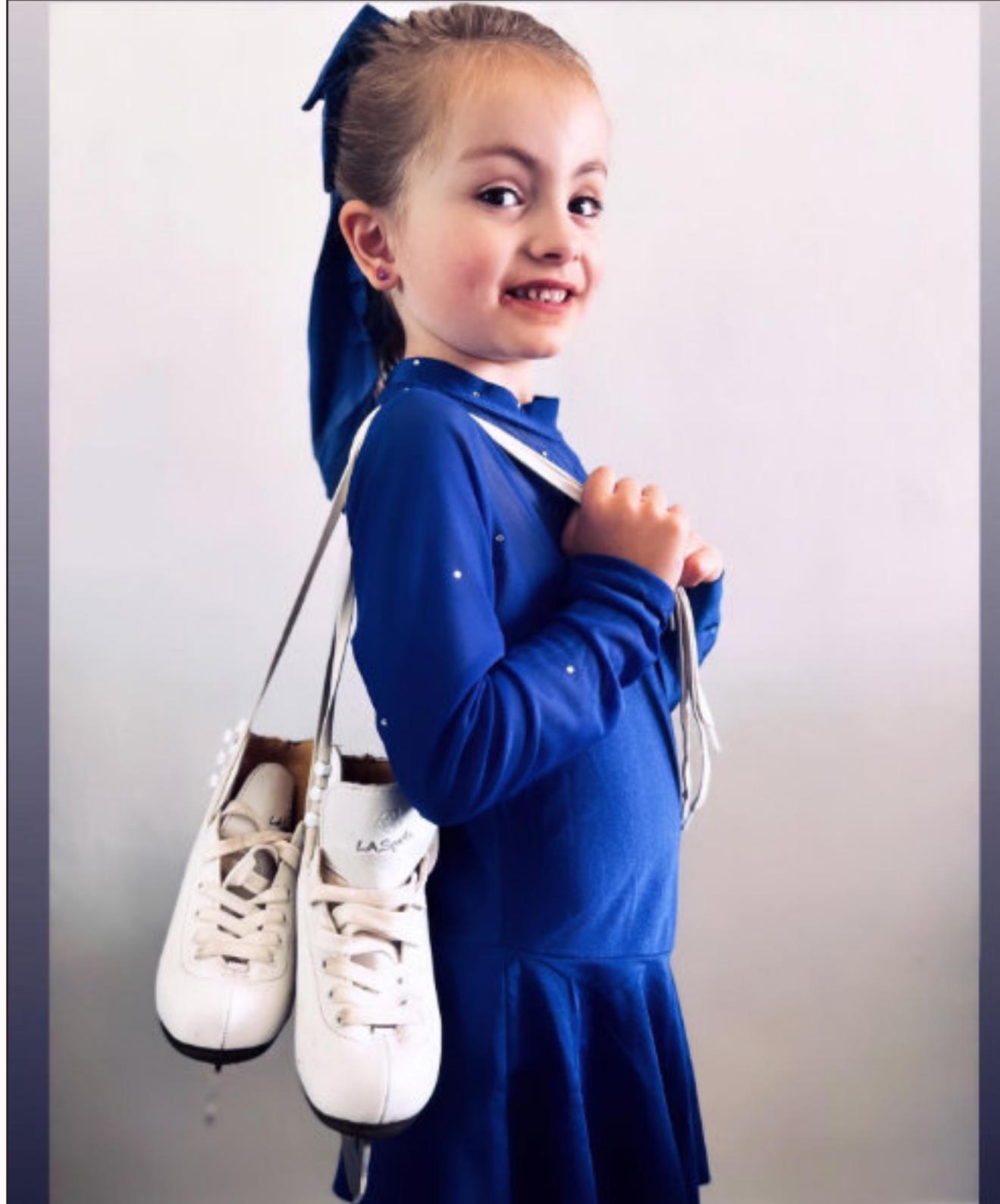
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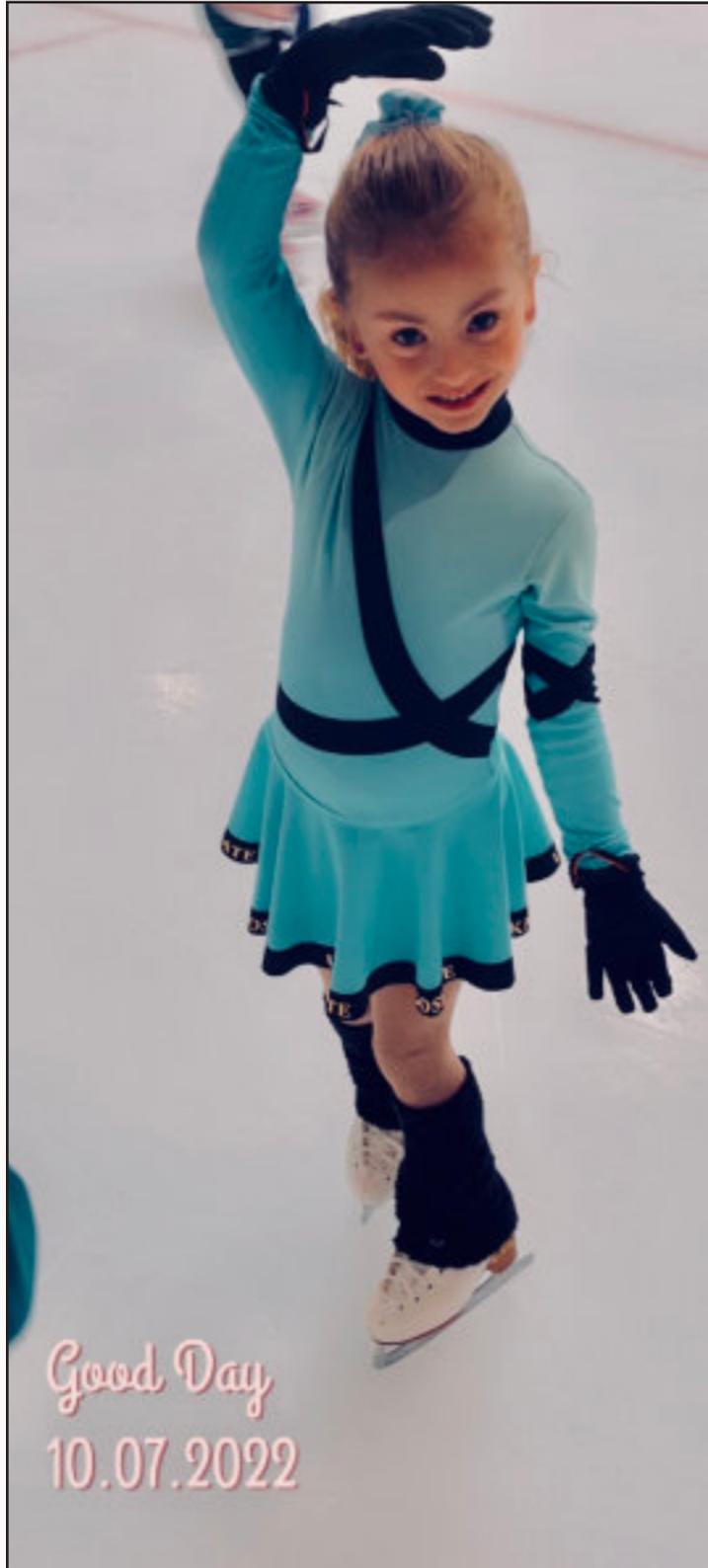
Im only 6 years old ,i started figure skating when i was 5 . i got my first star after only 4months , my dream is to be a Really good Figureskater so i can go around the whole world as figureskater and win some competitions . i love what i do so that makes it easy to train and learn every new iceskate move . my goal is to do The Biellman and fast spin , also the jumps . i have to learn a lot and practice a lot but i will never give up .

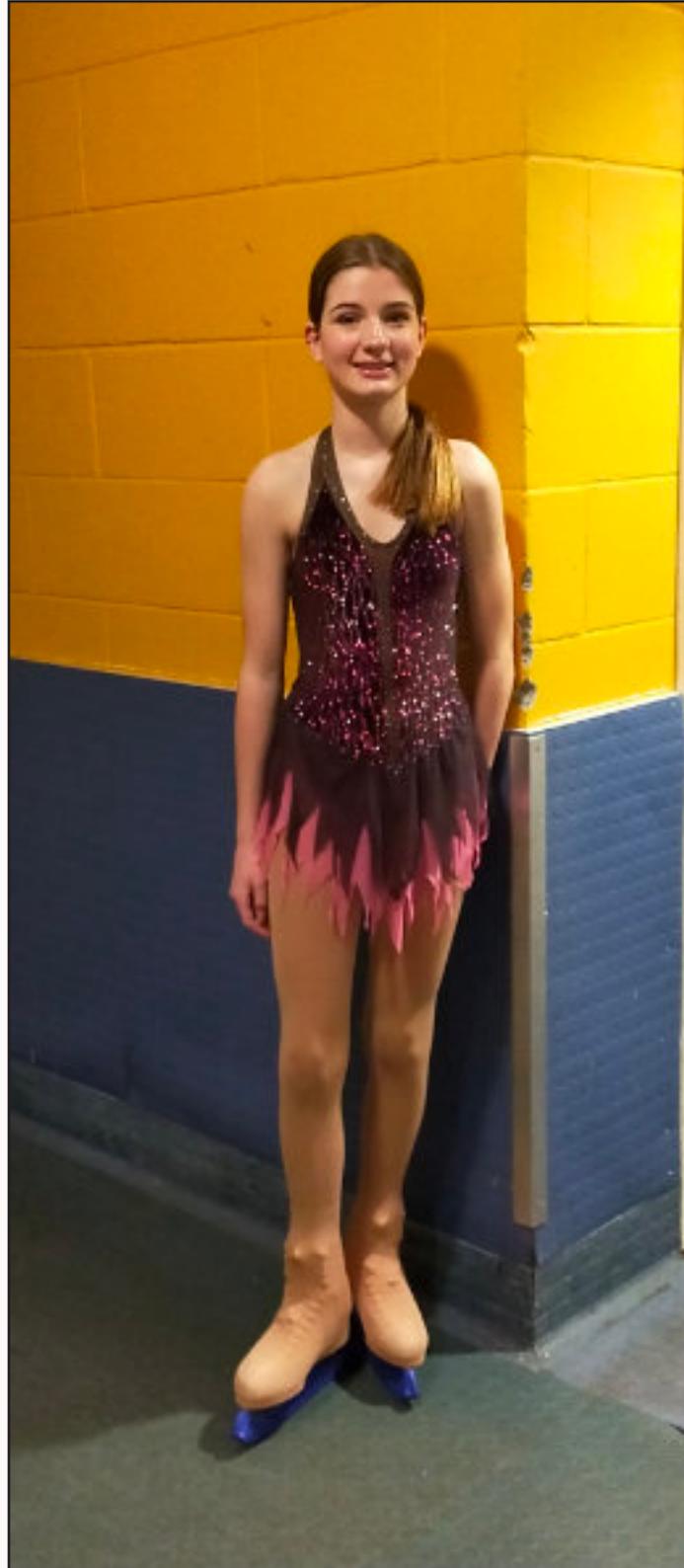
i love Figureskating !

grtz Loredana









My name is Sophie Baldwin, I am 14 years old and I have been skating since March 2022, I started out wanting to learn some skills to use when I go with friends but this soon changed into something much more and I realised how much I enjoyed stepping onto the ice.

I didn't imagine I would move through the skate UK levels and pass my gold free and gold dance all within 6 months of starting as I was only having the one lesson a week with later starting a private lesson when we could manage one and then practicing myself as often as I could and for that I am so proud of myself and see this as a great achievement.

I train as often as I can at Ice Sheffield, I work on my Off Ice every day at home or with Kelly at Ice Sheffield when my time allows and I even carried this on while on holiday this summer every day as I was determined to work on my flexibility and my splits.

I have started training before school at 6am which is dedication as my school starts at 8am and it's a half hour drive away without the morning rush but luckily we just make it there in time.

I have made some amazing friends so far in my ice skating journey and hope to make many more as I see so many amazing skaters at my Rink and hope to learn from them and one day inspire others as I have been inspired.

My coach Brooke is amazing and so patient with me and helps me grow and develop.

I dream of one day winning the British Championship.

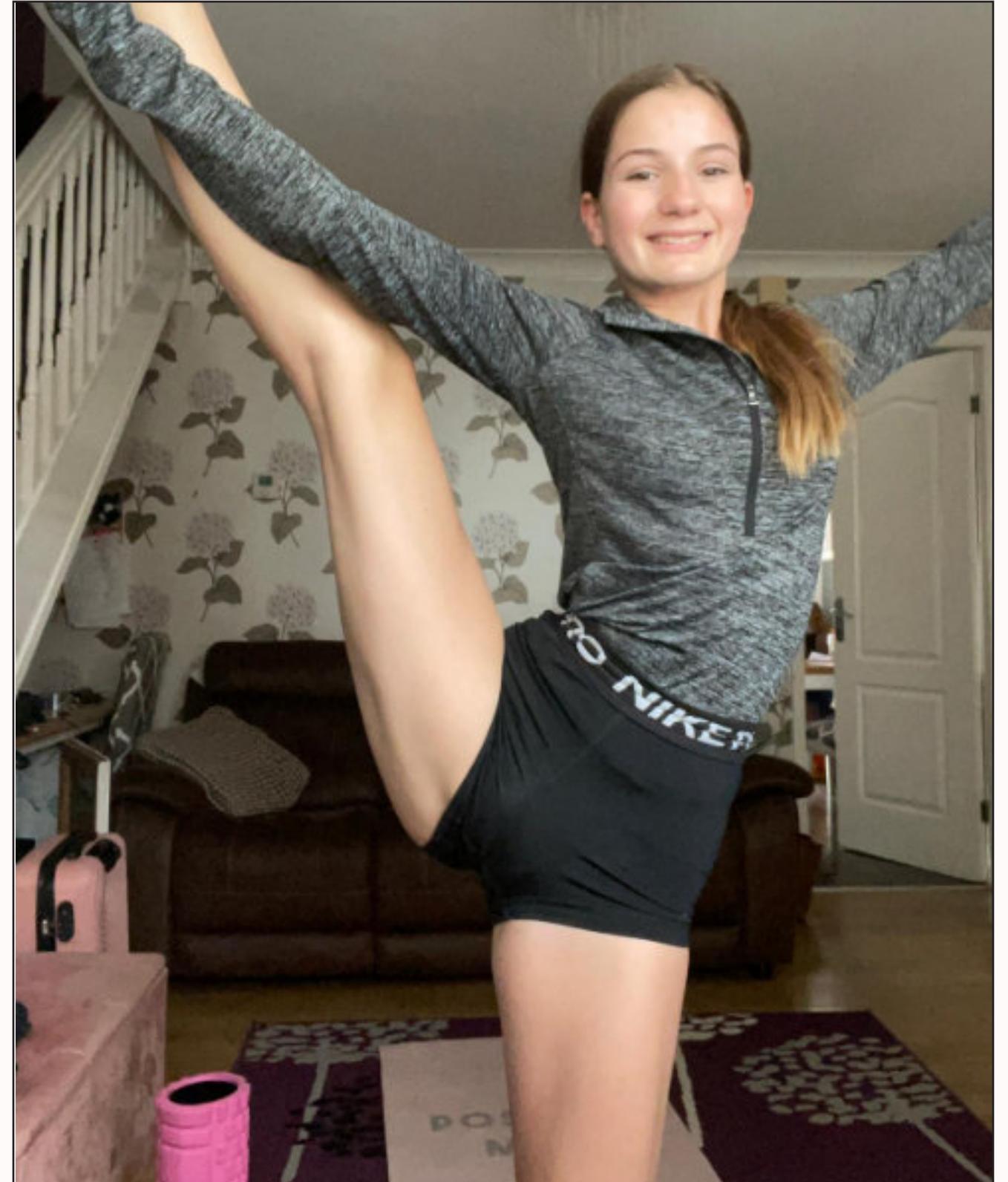
My first goal was to pass all of Skate UK by my birthday in September and I passed by the end of August 2022 so now my next goal is to land my first Axel by Christmas but you will have to wait and see if I achieve that!

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Sophie Baldwin







My name is Yinuo Nie, I'm 7 years old from Sheffield. I started skating when I was 4. My dream is to be an ice dancer because I love both ice skating and dancing! I have completed all the learn to skate levels and I'm in the beginner level at the moment. I'm also a member of Presto team in Sheffield Synchronized Skating Academy, my team had lots of excellent performance in the past competitions and won medals for several times. I

really enjoyed the time on ice and practice with my skating friends. I'm going to compete in the Young Star in November, I wish I could do it better than the last time, so I am working hard in these months. No pain no gain, hope my efforts will be paid off.

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