

David Gray sees Ross County game as “excellent opportunity” to move off the foot of the table

Hibs head coach David Gray sees tomorrow's William Hill Premiership game against Ross County as an “excellent opportunity” to move off the foot of the table.

If the Hibeers come out victorious then they will leap-frog the Staggies who currently sit 8th in the league table.

When speaking to Hibs TV, Gray re-iterated how important Saturday's match is.

“This weekend is an excellent opportunity because of the rewards for getting three points; that's been the message this week.

“We were very disappointed to lose the game last weekend, but when we came back in, I quickly changed the attention to Ross County and made the players aware of what they'll face.

“Ross County are currently 8th, and if we win the game, at home, in front of our crowd, we have the opportunity to go above them.

“ There's obviously other games and results, but we can currently go above a team that's sitting in 8th, and that has

to be the full focus and only mindset going into the game.

“The players have been really bright in training, and they see they opportunity. It also shows the players how quickly things can change, and how a narrative can change.

“If you strip it back, and if we get three points this weekend and you look at the last four fixtures, the points return will then be a good return. That gives you the belief and confidence to kick on from there over the Christmas period.

“The focus is fully on Ross County and the opportunity to get three points.”

Ross County are still looking for their first away win of the season, having lost four of their seven games on the road.

Gray, though, believes it'll be another difficult test.

“We didn't play them too long ago away from home and it was a tough night. You know the challenge you'll face.

“They have a lot of energy in the middle of the pitch that you have to match, and they have energy all over the pitch to be honest. You need to match their effort and endeavour.

“Our game plan is around how we believe we can hurt them. Hopefully we can do that.”