

We want all of our events to be enjoyable, played in the right spirit and fun for all concerned. Additionally as part of our ongoing commitment to developing the sporting workforce of tomorrow, many of our events will be supported and officiated by our young leaders.

## **Participants**

- Treat all people fairly and with respect regardless of race, background, religious beliefs or gender.
- Respect the referee, umpire or officials' decisions and the rules of the game.
- Co-operate with teachers, coaches, volunteers, team mates and opponents.
- Control your temper, do you and do not criticise others by words or gesture.
- Work to the best of your ability both individually and as a team.
- Be a good sport. Recognise good play even when it comes from the other team.
- Respect the facility and equipment being used.
- Wear appropriate kit and remove jewellery before play.

## **Parents / Spectators**

- Young people play school sport for fun.
- Applaud good performance and effort by your team and the opponents. Congratulate both teams.
- Encourage players to play by the rules and the respect the official's decision.
- Never ridicule or criticise young people for making a mistake during a competition, mistakes are part of learning.
- Condemn the use of violence in any form, be it by spectators, coaches, teachers, officials or players.
- Show respect for your team's opponents.
- Demonstrate appropriate social behaviour by not using foul language or harassing players, coaches, teachers or officials.
- Recognise the value and importance of teachers, volunteer coaches and officials, and show your appreciation.
- Let the teacher/coach do their job, don't confuse the players by telling them what to do.
- Anyone taking photos should complete a photo consent form and wear sticker

## **Team Managers / Teachers / Volunteers**

- Show respect to others involved in the game including your players, match officials, opposition players, coaches, managers, and spectators
- Compliment both teams on their effort, giving positive, constructive criticism.
- Be consistent, objective and courteous in calling infractions.
- Don't use inappropriate language, behaviour and violence of any form.
- Act as a positive role model, adhere to the rules and teach players to.
- Promote fair play and appropriate sports behaviour.
- Ensure that your behaviour is consistent with the principles of good sportsmanship at all times.
- Place the wellbeing and safety of a player before the development of performance
- Encourage players to value their performance and not just results
- Treat all people fairly and with respect regardless of race, background, religious beliefs or gender
- Use common sense to ensure that the "spirit of the game" for young people is not lost by overcalling violations.

## **School Games Values**



‘Spirit of the Games Awards’ will be given at our city competitions to schools that display the School Games Values.

Competition creates the ideal context in which to explore personal values and conduct, as through it young people can learn how to handle victory and defeat, how to believe in their abilities and achieve their personal best, and how to respect their opponents and work with their team-mates to achieve success.

The way in which schools communicate these values and involve young people in championing this cause will help bring the Spirit of the Games to life. This will ensure that competitive school sport is a rich learning experience for young people, and an experience which develops them to be not only the best sports person they can be but the best person they can be as well.

Please use the details around each School Games Value as a teaching aid for your classes, teams & staff to help them to understand the expectations of behaviour within sport and how they can best represent themselves and their school at our events.



### Teamwork...

Treating every one equally, supporting each other and working together to have fun and achieve. Celebrate each other’s success and be a positive team player.



### Respect...

For the referee, for the opposition, for your team mates, for yourself and for The Game. Accepting victory and defeat with grace, treating others politely and with understanding. Respect every day, in every sport and for everyone.



### Passion...

Giving it 100%, putting your heart and soul into the game and never giving up. Passion makes you enter the race and passion makes you finish it.



### Self-belief...

You've got to believe to achieve. Have the self-belief and confidence to succeed and reach your personal best.



### Honesty...

With others and with yourself. Have the courage to do the right thing and what you know is right. Let the best person win, not the best cheat!



### Determination...

Never giving up on trying to achieve your goals. Putting in 100% even at difficult times and being the very best they can be.

**Thank you for your continued support in ensuring that school sport is an enjoyable and safe environment for all concerned.**