

Belfast Royal Academy



Code of Conduct for Parents

- 1** Remember, young people play sport for their enjoyment, not only yours.
- 2** Encourage your child always to play by the Laws of the Game.
- 3** Teach young children that honest endeavour is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without disappointment.
- 4** Help young people to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- 5** Set a good example by applauding good play on both sides.
- 6** Never ridicule, humiliate or shout at young players for making a mistake or losing a match.
- 7** Do not place emphasis on winning at all costs.
- 8** Do not force an unwilling child to participate in the playing of a certain sport. If the child is to play, he/she will do so in good time through your encouragement.
- 9** Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from school sport.
- 10** As a spectator do not use profane language or harass referees, coaches or players.
- 11** Do not publicly question the referee's judgement and never their honesty.
- 12** Recognise the value and importance of volunteer referees and coaches.
- 13** Identify and acknowledge the good qualities of the game and uphold these values.
- 14** Remember you and your child's contribution to the game is very important and be proud of your contribution.
- 15** Understand the value of team sport and its importance.