

## Parents and Spectator Code of Conduct Policy

- Encourage participation but don't force it. Teach the message that it's not whether you win or lose but how you play the game – within the spirit of the game.
- Encourage an understanding of the rules by showing a genuine interest.
- Never ridicule mistakes or defeats you will destroy confidence very quickly.
- Remember you are there to support the children's enjoyment before your own.
- Lead by example and respect all players, coaches, umpires and spectators.
- Personally recognise all volunteers who are giving their valuable time.
- Never publicly criticise umpires. Criticism of umpires provides an excuse for poor player behaviour and compromised approach to the game
- Lead the way in stamping out all racial, verbal or physical abuse.
- Abstain from the use of vulgar and abusive language. It sets a very bad example for young players.
- Limit alcohol consumption when around the children. Drunken abusive parents set a very bad example for the children and reflect poorly on the club as a whole. This is a priority after the game has been completed.