



Blackburn NewHope FC Parents Code of Conduct

Unite, Commit, Enjoy

Children play for Fun and Enjoyment

Parents play a vital role in the development of our club and the lives of players. Our club is committed to Christian principles and values. We must all work to ensure that everyone has a positive experience that will last long after they leave the club.

- ⚽ Encourage children to participate, do not force them. Remember that children play sport for their enjoyment, not yours.
- ⚽ Focus on your child's efforts and performance rather than winning or losing. This assists the child in setting realistic goals related to ability by reducing the emphasis on winning.
- ⚽ Teach children that an honest effort is as important as victory, so that the result of each game is accepted without undue disappointment.
- ⚽ Encourage children always to play according to the rules and to respect the officials decision
- ⚽ Never ridicule or yell at a child for making a mistake or losing a game. Positive comments are motivating and encouraging.
- ⚽ Children learn best by example. Encourage sportsmanship by applauding good play by both teams and congratulate all participants on their performance regardless of the outcome.
- ⚽ Verbal and physical abuse is not acceptable on or off the field. Never engage in unsportsmanlike conduct with anyone such a booing, taunting or use of profane language or gestures
- ⚽ Respect officials' decisions and teach children to do likewise.
- ⚽ If you disagree with an official, raise the issue through the appropriate channels rather than question the official's judgement and honesty in public. Remember, most officials give their time and effort for your child's involvement.
- ⚽ Ensure your child is on time for training and matches.
- ⚽ Recognise the value and importance of volunteer coaches. They give up their time and resources to provide recreational activities for the children and deserve your support.
- ⚽ Coaches are held to account for the behaviours of their team, as well as the behaviour of parents and supporters. Please help them to make their job easier by cooperating with these guidelines.

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