

ASH MANOR SCHOOL

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Dear Parent/Carer,

We have been delighted to see so many parents and family members supporting the students and school in the many fixtures we have hosted this term.

For safeguarding reasons, we wanted to remind supporters of some of the protocols for watching sport fixtures at Ash Manor School.

For outdoor fixtures that are suitable for parents to watch, please ensure you enter via the all-weather pitch at the rear of the school, where a member of staff will open the gate. If there is no member of staff there when you arrive, please wait patiently for football matches or, for netball matches, please report to main reception. Please may I remind you no parent or family member should be entering to watch the matches via the Sports Centre or the main school building at any time without a member of staff from Ash Manor School.

Whilst spectating, particularly football, can you ensure you remain in the spectator area which is coned off away from the side line. All young children should be supervised at all times by an appropriate adult and not an Ash Manor student or sibling; they should be watching and supporting the game/team, not playing with balls/footballs as this can be very distracting for the team players, the coach and officials.

Regarding spectator behaviour at matches, the vast majority of parents are extremely supportive and encouraging to both teams, the officials and the staff and this is appreciated by all participants. Whilst watching any match, please do not discourage the participants by questioning and/or criticising the official's decisions, the coaching tactics and, most importantly, the team players whether Ash Manor students or the opposing team. Should you have concerns please speak to a member of staff in a positive and constructive way at an appropriate time or send an email to information@ashmanorschool.com and this will be directed to myself as head of the department..

The staff at Ash Manor School thoroughly enjoy organising school fixtures and we would like to thank all parents for the support they give their child and the school, which, in turn, enables us to run these events smoothly and successfully.

Yours faithfully

Mr A Hill Head of Physical Education

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