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# CONDUCT AND PROCEDURES FOR MATCH DAYS Information for Pupils and Parents

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### **Selection Policy**

The selection at A Team level is made on the basis of ability and effort displayed during games lessons and team practices.

We endeavour to give everyone exposure to matches at all levels, dependent on staff, facilities and other schools availability.

All pupils can expect to experience a match during the each term, barring injury or for safety reasons.

All pupils selected to play are expected to be available unless written notification is received by the Head of Boys or Girls Sport.

#### **Match Day Procedure for Parents**

Team selection details will be posted on the games notice boards (on the side of the gym).

Fixtures are in the school calendar, but are subject to cancellation or change. You can check arrangements on the school website. If for any reason a match needs to be cancelled then this information will be posted by midday of the day of the fixture.

Parents are always welcome to support matches and join us for tea afterwards. Whilst cheering on their own children and Yateley Manor, we also hope to see and hear parents applauding and encouraging the opposition.

We would also ask parents to be mindful of an overenthusiastic approach that could be perceived as intimidating behaviour to all those participating.

Please note the children will be expected to show hospitality to the visiting teams and not go home immediately after the match.

Children that have participated in a match on a Wednesday afternoon may go home with parents once they have changed and informed their team manager or tutor and the visiting team have left. If before 4pm, they need to sign out in reception.

## Child Protection & Safeguarding

Changing facilities: On  $\underline{no}$  account should parents enter any changing rooms, either home or away, to retrieve pupils, baggage or talk to members of staff. Please wait outside until your child comes out changed.

Photos/Video - Parents are able to take photos and videos of their child(ren) during fixtures but these should be for personal use only and not shared or distributed on any social media networks.

At no time should any photos or videos be taken in any changing rooms, toilets or other similar places.



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# **INFORMATION FOR PUPILS**

### Representing Yateley Manor

Being selected to represent your school is not automatic. It is an honour and requires your commitment.

Once selected you must show that you can:

- Play well as a part of a team
- Play fairly and accept decisions made by officials without argument
- Support your captain and encourage all of your team on and off the pitch or court
- Be comfortable with success and not be discouraged by disappointment
- Help where help is required before and after a fixture
- Use appropriate behaviour at all times
- Look after your own kit, which should be clean and serviceable for each match
- If using school kits please ensure that it is handed back to the manager that has been in charge of your team for that match.

#### Being the Captain

Being Team Captain is a responsible position. Captains are required to:

- Check that the team is ready to play on the day of the match.
- Take part in the toss at the start of the game.
- Encourage, in an appropriate manner, your team throughout the game.
- Lead the three cheers at the end and shake hands with the opposition, umpires or referees.
- Show hospitality to visiting teams by welcoming them when they arrive and ensuring that members of visiting teams are accompanied into, and looked after, during tea.
- You might be asked to write a match report for INAMOS
- Collect bibs and ball (netball) + kit 1<sup>st</sup> XI Football, 1<sup>st</sup> XV Rugby

# Playing in a Fixture

Remember to check team lists when posted. Pass on information to family or friends who may wish to support you or who might be collecting you following a match. Remind them of times, or ask them to contact the school or look at the website. It may be a good idea to record dates and times in your homework diary.



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# Guidelines for Behaviour when Travelling to and from Fixtures

- Vehicle fill up seats from the back first and put your seatbelt on as soon as you sit down
- Keep noise to a minimum
- Do not distract the driver of your vehicle or other drivers on the road
- Never throw items around in the vehicle
- Never "write" on the windows or gesture to other motorists.
- Get on and off the bus sensibly and in an orderly manner
- When leaving the vehicle, ensure that you take all your rubbish with you
- Always thank the driver and member of staff accompanying you

#### Hosting a Match at Yateley Manor

Always help the member of staff organising the fixture by getting yourself ready in time and then asking if you can help with equipment.

When visiting teams arrive, make them feel welcome. Remember how you feel when you arrive at other schools.

#### Remember:

- Always be a good sport and show sportsman-like behaviour, whether you win or lose
- Your manners on and off the pitch
- That you are representing the school

#### **Health and Safety**

Remember that when you are asked to represent the school it is important that you look smart and are well organised.

All players must wear the correct kit/footwear appropriate to the activity. If pupils do not have the required kit, they will not be allowed to play:

- Shin pads these are compulsory for soccer and hockey
- Mouth guard this is compulsory for all hockey and rugby matches and practice sessions
- **Girls** long hair **must** be tied back with a soft hair-band standard colour and nails cut short, earrings removed.

Help us to help you keep safe by following these simple rules.



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