



## **POSTGATE SCHOOL SPORTS CODE OF CONDUCT**

### **All members of sports teams of Postgate School must:**

- Co-operate with teammates, coaches, officials, and opponents and treat all of them with respect; showing Postgate PRIDE at all times.
- Strive for excellence, have fun, and develop skills.
- Know the rules of the game, as best they can, and play by both the letter and the spirit of the rules.
- Realise that officials are there to interpret the rules and accept their decisions with dignity.
- Never behave in such a manner that would reflect badly on, or disgrace the team, your family and/or our school.
- Never use coarse language or insult opponents, coaches or spectators.
- Attend the required trainings - attendance is essential unless a prior arrangement has been made with the coach.
- Always participate according to the values of good sportsmanship.
- Always wear the correct playing uniform.
- Show modesty in victory and grace in defeat.
- The key to a successful team is communication; if you are unable to attend training or game you must let your coach know with sufficient notice.

### **For Parents and Supporters of Postgate School**

All supporters of Postgate School teams should consider the following:

- Sport is about having a positive attitude. You can assist in setting a positive tone and help to make sport an enjoyable experience
- Encourage your child, and other team members, in their efforts in the sporting arena. Insist that your child plays within the rules of the game and by the principles of Fairplay, irrespective of the manner in which opposition may play the game.
- Being part of a team is a commitment; assist your son/daughter to live up to their commitments.
- Do not accept your child letting their team-mates and coaches down
- Ensure your child attends all practices and is well turned out with the correct playing uniform for games.
- Watch your child play whenever possible. Try to understand the game and its rules.
- Display self-control on the side-line. Do not shout at or ridicule any players on either team, referees/umpires or coaches.
- Remember your child is playing sport for their reasons, not yours.
- Respect your child's efforts regardless of whether they win, draw, or lose.
- Show respect for the coach and management of your child's team. They have a difficult job and do not need interference or negative comments from observers.
- Show appreciation for the people who make it possible for your child to play sport. They are invariably volunteering and are involved because they enjoy the game.
- You are a role model of Postgate PRIDE; children and adults are watching you