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Code of conduct for parent volunteers and observers at sporting fixtures

Levendale participates in a series of competitive inter- and intra-school sporting fixtures across the year, at which parents are usually welcome to attend and sometimes are asked to volunteer to help. These fixtures are run by Conyers PE staff (assisted by student leaders or volunteers) or School Sports Partnership staff (again assisted by student leaders or volunteers) and as such we ask that parents adhere to the following principles of conduct when attending such events, either as a school volunteer or as an observer:

- The authority of the organiser is unquestionable: they have the final say in any issue that may arise and their decision is final. At no point should a parent attempt to take up an issue with the organiser.
- In individual games, the referee/umpire has the final say in any issue that may arise. At no point should parents attempt to take up an issue with the referee or umpire. Where necessary, Levendale staff would do so, using the aforementioned principle of the referee/umpire's decision being final.
- There should be no attempt to intimidate, harass or pester opposing team members, including adults, nor should any grievance be taken up with the children/staff representing opposing schools.
- Nothing should be done or said by parents that could be perceived to be undermining the authority of the organisers and those delegated to running the festivals.

School sport in Stockton has long existed on a principle of mutual respect and we hope that this can continue long into the future, creating a culture of friendliness despite the competitive nature of inter-school sport. Complaints made against parents by organisers, staff or children will be followed up by the Headteacher and appropriate action taken as necessary.

Thank you.



