



HAVANT RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB
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MINI & JUNIOR SECTION

Code of Conduct for Parents Carers and other Supporters

The essence of good ethical conduct and practice for parents, carers and other supporters is summarised below. All parents, carers and other supporters at Havant RFC Mini & Junior Section should:

- Foster enthusiastic participation but not force an unwilling child to participate in rugby.
- Educate the child to play by the Laws of the game always.
- Instil in children an understanding and enjoyment of the value of coaching.
- Acknowledge the value and importance of volunteer coaches and referees. They give freely of their time and resources to provide rugby for children.
- Emphasise respect for referees by not publicly questioning the referees integrity or judgement on the field. Have you ever refereed a game? Did you do it without error?
- Applaud good play by your team and by members of the opposing team as children learn best by example. Actively discourage unfair play and arguing with officials, publicly accept officials' judgements.
- Teach children that honest effort is as important as victory so that defeat is accepted without undue disappointment.
- Encourage a child who has made a mistake in a game, never punish or belittle for losing or making mistakes.
- Use correct and proper language at all times, condemn bad behaviour and bad language.
- Try not to shout continually and at children. Shout occasionally and for them; remember, it is only a game.
- The Club's facilities, buildings and equipment are not to be used as a playground for unsupervised children. Do ensure you supervise your child when off the field.

Deborah J Morgan

Chairman
Havant Rugby Club Mini & Junior Section
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