

Maghull and District Schools Football Matches

Code of Conduct for Players

- It is an honour and privilege to represent your school team
- Treat a match as a game that is fun but play by the rules
- Take pride in your performance and that of your school
- Encourage others in your team to do their best
- Enjoy participating – it should be fun
- Accept all decisions by match officials
- Let the Captain speak to the referee on behalf of the team if decisions made by the match officials need to be clarified
- Recognise outstanding performances by opponents
- Demonstrate concern for an injured player, regardless of their team
- Accept victory modestly
- Learn to take defeat in the right manner and not look for excuses as to why you may not have been successful on a particular occasion
- Shake hands with your opponents at the end of each game, regardless of the outcome
- Thank the referee and his/her assistants for their efforts

Code of Conduct for Parents and Supporters

- Attendance at a game is a privilege
- Respect decisions made by the match officials
- Be a good role model by positively supporting teams in every way possible and be generous with praise
- Become aware of the competition rules and keep winning in its proper place
- Respect other spectators, coaches and participants
- Be a fan not a fanatic
- Recognise and respect the performances of players in both teams, not just the team that you are supporting
- Accept victory modestly and defeat graciously, remembering that the team you are supporting will be judged by your reactions
- Do not 'boo' anyone
- Stand or sit in the place that you have been allocated for the match
- Do not interfere with instructions given by the teacher/coach in charge of the team
- Remember that all those who control school soccer matches are volunteers, giving of their time freely and without any financial reward – respect them for this