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GUIDELINES AND AGREEMENT FOR PARENT CONDUCT EXTRA-MURAL AND SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

1. **I undertake to prioritise the long-term benefits of participation.**
I understand that participants and coaches prioritise the skills, social and emotional advantages to be gained from participation rather than a once off 'result against an opponent'. A 'win at all costs' approach is not encouraged or supported by Tom Newby School.
2. **I promise to support my child.**
I will encourage my child to attend practices and matches/competitions. I will endeavour to have my child arrive on time and be collected timeously, after an event.
3. **I promise to know and follow the rules.**
I will familiarise myself with the rules and ensure that my child abides by them.
4. **I promise to respect authority and leadership.**
I will accept a referee's decision or a coach's determination without question or hesitation and make the necessary objection, after the activity, through recommended channels for that extra-mural code. I will refrain from showing disdain or irritation when a decision runs contrary to their opinion.
5. **I promise to exercise self-control.**
I will not lose my temper with coaches, players or other parents.
6. **I promise to allow the captain to be a leader.**
Whether the captain is another team member or a coach, undermining that person's authority will lessen the team's chances of performing well. I will, therefore, refrain from criticizing or scolding players (including my own child) who make mistakes or who do not perform well. It is the job of the captain to provide corrective advice or make constructive comments. Encouragement produces better results than blame.
9. **I promise to accept defeat and victory with grace.**
I will not look for excuses to justify a loss or poor performance, e.g. blaming the pitch or the referee. I will not behave in a boastful manner or demean the losing team in order to celebrate a victory.
11. **I promise to dress my child in the correct uniform/kit.**
I will ensure that my child is appropriately dressed for the activity and that he/she is well groomed.
12. **I promise to abide by the principles of fair play.**
I will respect opponents and other stakeholders. I will respect the rules of the game, playing fair, accepting defeat gracefully and refraining from corruption, use of drugs, racism, violence and gambling.

Parent's name & surname : _____
Parent's signature : _____
Participant's name & surname : _____ Class: _____
Date : _____
Activity : _____

I do not wish to sign this agreement for the following reason/s:
