

## **BANGOR RUGBY FOOTBALL CLUB**

### ***Safeguarding Policy Section 4.3.2***

#### **Code of Conduct for Parents/Guardians of Age-Grade Players**

- Remember that Age-Grade Players play rugby for their enjoyment, not only yours.
- Always encourage your son or daughter to play by the Laws of the Game.
- Teach Age-Grade Players that honest endeavour is as important as winning, so that the result of each game is accepted without disappointment.
- Help Age-Grade Players to work towards skill improvement and good sportsmanship.
- Set a good example by applauding good play on both sides.
- Never ridicule, humiliate or shout at Age-Grade Players for making a mistake or losing a match.
- Do not place emphasis on winning at all costs.
- Do not force an unwilling player to participate in the playing of rugby. If the child is to play, he/she will do so in good time through your encouragement.
- Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from rugby.
- As a spectator don't use bad language or harass referees, coaches or Age-Grade Players.
- Do not publicly question the referee's judgement and never their honesty.
- Recognise the value and importance of volunteer referees and coaches.
- Identify and accept the good qualities of the Game of Rugby and uphold these values.
- Remember that you and your son's or daughter's contribution to the Game of Rugby is very important to Bangor RFC and the IRFU and be proud of your contribution.
- Understand the value of team sport and its importance.
- Always respect Club facilities and property. Take care of equipment and furnishings owned by the Club and use the waste-bins provided around the grounds and in the Clubhouse for the disposal of any litter.

#### ***Also remember to***

- Complete and return the Age-Grade Player Registration & Parental Consent Forms (*Sections 4.2. A & B*) pertaining to your child's participation with 'Bangor Rugby Football Club', including details of any health concerns, and report any changes in the state of your child's health to the coach prior to coaching sessions.
- Deliver and collect your child punctually to and from coaching sessions/matches.
- Ensure that your child is properly and adequately attired for the weather conditions of the time, including shorts, shirt, socks, footwear, tracksuit, sweat-tops, hat, gloves, water bottle, sun cream *etc* as appropriate.
- Ensure that proper footwear and protective equipment are worn at all times. Any child not in possession of the essential personal equipment will not be permitted to participate.
- Inform the coach prior to departure from the field of play if your child is to be collected early from a coaching session.