

Policy & Procedures for the use of external Sports Coaches

The following policy & procedure relates specifically to the use of external Sports Coaches and is to be adhered to in conjunction with more general 'policy and procedures for the use of external persons to supplement delivery of the curriculum' as outlined above:

1. Sports Coaches when taking groups are asked to remain within view of Class/Supervising Teacher at all times, individuals are not taken singly for any activity
2. Sports Coaches cannot be asked to accompany any group or individual to changing rooms/toilets, this is the responsibility of Class/Supervising Teacher
3. Sports Coaches are asked to have as little physical contact with pupils as possible
4. Sports Coaches are asked to interact with pupils in a professional manner in the main speaking to Class/Groups rather than individuals and addressing pupils by their first name.
5. Though Class/Supervising Teacher is ultimately responsible for the safety of the Class/Group Sports Coaches are asked to check the safety of equipment used, likewise activities must be such that due regard is taken of pupil safety.
6. Sports Coaches are expected to conduct sporting games with an atmosphere of 'fair play' placing an emphasis on participation and good sportsmanship as well as skill development.
7. Sports Coaches are asked to design inclusive activities to cater for maximum participation of all children and all abilities.
8. Teachers will adopt an active role in during external led lessons.
9. All external coaches must be covered by an insurance policy.
10. Sports Coaches are asked not to use mobile phones to text/call or take photographs in line with the school's Mobile Phone Policy.

This policy was ratified by the Board of Management on Monday 23rd April 2018