



Relax and let them play!

Our match day environment

We are really pleased your club has chosen to link with us to play development matches.

We hope to create a positive match day environment for children by working with you to implement a few simple standards.

1. We support 'positive sidelines'. This means clapping for both teams is encouraged but directing play is not permitted.
2. The designated spectator area will be set up at a distance from the pitch.
3. Coaches will not direct play during the match. Coaches are encouraged to mix in the technical area and to discuss match time arrangements. Coaches should adapt the match to meet the needs of all the children. For example, teams may be mixed or uneven numbered sides may be used.
4. Children will be encouraged to deliver their own pre-match and half-time team talks.
5. Parents will be encouraged to mix and will be offered refreshments.
6. The children will be invited to provide feedback on the match and match day arrangements.
7. Young referees will be offered opportunities wherever possible.

Thank you for helping to create a unique match day environment for all our children.

