

## **Harrow Way Spectators Policy – February 2022**

### **Purpose:**

The aim of this policy is to allow parents and carers to watch sporting fixtures at Harrow Way in a way that is safe and secure. It is understood that parental engagement is key in establishing all aspects of healthy routines, especially health and wellbeing but our top priority, at all times, is to safeguard all children. This policy will therefore set out the procedure to follow prior to and during all sporting fixtures.

### **Prior to a Fixture:**

Ahead of each sporting fixture, the school will send out a Google Form to the parents/carers of any child selected to participate. This form will allow parents/carers to confirm their child's attendance at the fixture and also indicate if they would like to attend and support. If they would, then they must agree to follow the school Supporter's Code of Conduct. A copy of this will be available electronically on the Google Form and can be seen at the end of this policy. Any parent or carer not willing to agree to this will be unable to attend and watch the fixture.

Reception will be provided with a list of names of parents/carers who have asked to attend and agreed to the code of conduct.

### **On the Date of the Fixture:**

Parents/carers will arrive at the Main Reception and give their name, in order to receive a "Spectator" sticker. Once they have their sticker, then, as per the code of conduct, they must make their way straight to the place where the fixture is being held (usually the main field). They must wear their badge at all times. No parent/carer will be inside the school buildings away from a fixture. The code of conduct states the expectation that the toilets will not be used except in an emergency.

All staff will have a responsibility to challenge any adult not correctly identified in line with our usual safeguarding policy. Members of the PE department are more likely to see adults who have arrived to watch a fixture, however, it is acknowledged that they will often be fully occupied refereeing matches etc and all staff must challenge anyone on site who is not wearing an appropriate sticker.

Parents/Carers will have a specific area in which to stand and watch.

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### **Harrow Way Spectator Code of Conduct**

In order to ensure the safety, happiness and wellbeing of our entire school community, we have a code of conduct for all spectators watching sporting fixtures at Harrow Way. If you would like to attend and watch your child in their fixture, you will need to agree to the following and, if unable to, will not be able to attend:

Whilst watching a sports fixture at Harrow Way, I agree to the following:

- I will be polite and respectful to all staff and students from both Harrow Way and the visiting school.
- I will collect a 'Spectator' sticker from the main reception immediately upon arrival and wear it at all times on the school site (please note, you may be challenged by staff members if this is not worn visibly). These will only be available if you have indicated on the Google Form for this fixture that you will be attending.
- I will only visit the area of the school relevant to the fixture (normally the Main Field) once I have collected the 'Spectator' sticker and stand in the designated area for spectators of that fixture.

Please note: Parents/carers will not be able to use the toilet facilities; please be aware of this before attending. In an emergency, please speak to the nearest member of staff who will be able to direct you.

In the event of a fire alarm, please gather:

During school hours - on the outside tennis courts.

After school hours - in the main car park at the front of the school (opposite Reception).

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