



Dear Parents and Coaches

April 2024

SUPPORT FOR SPORT IN 2024

Interschool sport - whenever and wherever it is played - is vital to all of our schools. It creates networking, school spirit and camaraderie amongst parents, teachers and families, especially during the Winter terms when we experience mass attendance at matches. Our firm objective is to maintain good, constructive, healthy interpersonal ties while endorsing and encouraging appropriate, exemplary social behaviour, particularly as role models for children in our community.

As Principals of Western Cape and Boland Schools, we urge our parents, coaches and players to ...

- **Keep our matches and playing area sidelines positive, enthusiastic and rational at all times.**
- **Not sledge referees, umpires and players. It is not acceptable in any school and such forms of negative behaviour will lead to action being taken.**
- **Not blame referees or umpires for losing matches. If parents have legitimate complaints about incompetent referees or umpires, they should use their own school's channel of communication to address issues. They are welcome to approach their school's Head of Sport diplomatically and at the appropriate time.**

We need to remember that we are dealing with youngsters who are being given a great opportunity to play sport and have fun.

Schools in South Africa need and depend on one other to interact positively at many levels. As adults and educators, it is in the interests of our children that we support this process collectively to the best of our ability. While we wish to maintain a healthy spirit of rivalry, our interdependence as a region is vital.

We have a wonderful relationship with our Western Cape and Boland schools as well as schools further afield. What we all thrive on is the constructive, positive support that we receive from parents and coaches. We value this greatly and thank you most sincerely in anticipation.

May you all have an enjoyable and successful season of Winter Sport. See you on the fields of play!

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