

# Crompton House Church of England School

Loving God - Caring for Each Other - Achieving Excellence



## Sports fixtures and transport

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As a Church of England School, we very much welcome and appreciate the contribution that parents and other adults make in providing support and supervision in a wide range of experiences, trips and sporting fixtures which benefit students. This reflects our core belief that we are all part of God's family and called to work together for the common good. As part of our child protection and safeguarding policy, parents who support the school need to be aware of their responsibilities to students in order to protect themselves and students, according to government guidelines.

## **Parental support**

In certain situations, for example out of school activities, staff or volunteers may agree to transport pupils. Adults who support the school by participating in trips/fixtures have a DBS\*. However, if parents make arrangements between themselves to transport each other's children, this is classified as a private arrangement and a DBS\* check is not required.

- Wherever possible and practicable it is advisable that transport is undertaken with at least one adult additional to the driver acting as an escort.
- Parents should avoid situations in which they are alone with a pupil who is not their own child.
- Ensure that the safety and welfare of pupil is paramount.

If parents are in any doubt, please contact the school.

## **Transport**

Sometimes, last minute fixtures come up and there is no time to send in a permission slip to parents to take their child out of school to compete. On the rare occasion that it happens, the children are asked to contact family members to help with the transport of the sports' team to and from a venue.

The staff will always respect the above guidelines, but it is important that parents are aware that, as much as the PE department tries its best to give notice, it is not always possible to do so. Children are allowed to use their phone at any time when out of the school premises to keep in touch with their parents. At times it may be necessary for the students to go by taxi and this will be a local reputable company with drivers who have a Disclosure and Barring Service ((DBS).

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Signed (Chair)

Print Name