



9<sup>th</sup> May 2019

Dear Parent / Carer

Philadelphia Cricket & Community Club welcomes you and your child to the club. We hope that your child will enjoy being a club member and will enjoy the cricket coaching, training and matches, as well as the social interactions available at the club.

The aim of this letter is to provide information that may be helpful to you as either new or existing members. Please do ask me as the club's Child Welfare Officer or any committee member or coach if you have any questions throughout your time at Philadelphia.

The club is run by a number of volunteers and we welcome offers of help from all members and hope that as you feel part of the club you will feel able to become involved if you aren't already. A full list of officers, committee members, coaches and officials can be found on the notice board at the main entrance to the club.

We are a Clubmark club and we adhere to the 'Safe Hands' Policy for Safeguarding Children in Cricket. All of the adults at the club who work with children and meet the necessary criteria are verified by the ECB. This includes the enhanced DBS and 'barred list' check, formerly known as CRB checks. The 'Safe Hands' Policy can be viewed online at [www.ecb.co.uk/safehands](http://www.ecb.co.uk/safehands) or a copy is available at the club as are the other policies and procedures introduced by the ECB annually.

Whilst we hope your child will be happy at the club, we understand that sometimes, questions, concerns or difficulties may arise. Please feel able to raise these as soon as possible so we can rectify things at the earliest opportunity. If you have any questions relating to coaching then please speak with the coach in the first instance who will be happy to speak to you before or after any training sessions, matches or any other convenient time.

If you have any concerns about your child or another child, or about the behaviour of any child or adult at the club please contact me at any time. Confidentiality will be considered however cannot be guaranteed depending upon the nature of the issue raised. I can be contacted as follows:

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The club has a social media presence on the internet, Facebook and Twitter and there may be times when photographs are taken of the youth teams to display around the club or on social media. This may be the case if teams win any tournaments or to celebrate individual or team success. Authority from parents/guardians is sought where necessary on such occasions, however if you do not wish your child to be included then please contact us to let your preferences known.

All members are reminded of the club's Code of Conduct for both members and guests. Details are available on the noticeboard or via the club's website [www.philadelphiacc.co.uk](http://www.philadelphiacc.co.uk) that is currently under reconstruction.

We do hope that you and your child enjoy being a member of Philadelphia Cricket & Community Club and that your time with us provides a lot of happy times and lasting memories for you and your family.

Yours sincerely

Andrea Smith  
Child Welfare Officer  
Philadelphia Cricket & Community Club