**Ulster School’s Badminton**

**Code of Conduct for Parents**

We believe that parents / carers play a very important role in their child’s development in sport. To that end the club would ask all parents / carers to contribute to the junior club and their child’s participation in sport. In particular the club expects all parents / carers to:

1. Encourage but not force an unwilling child to participate in sport or in the club.
2. Recognise that children’s enjoyment in sport and as a member of the club is paramount.
3. Emphasise enjoyment and fun and praise and reinforce effort and improvement.
4. Promote and teach fair play by setting a good example.
5. Teach their child that effort and teamwork are as important as winning.
6. Help their child to set realistic goals, improve their skills and develop a positive sporting attitude.
7. Never ridicule or shout at any child for making a mistake or losing a competition.
8. Acknowledge and applaud good play by all players including opposing players. Parent / carers should set an example by being friendly towards the opposing team, its supporters and parents.
9. Not approach or communicate with any player regarding a line call or score, particularly opposition, in the course of a match, but address any concerns to the teacher/coach in charge.
10. Publicly accept an official’s judgement and never question their honesty.
11. Support all efforts to remove verbal and physical abuse from children’s sporting activities.
12. Express any concerns about their child or the Club to the nominated teacher/coach/official.
13. Recognise the importance and value of coaches and others within the club who give their time, expertise and resources to provide opportunities for young people.
14. Offer whatever assistance they can to the running of the Junior club and support the Club and their child were possible i.e. providing transport to training / competitions, watching matches and training sessions, making sure that their child has the appropriate clothing and equipment, supporting fund raising and social events.

Signed:………………………………………………………………………………………

School:……………………………………………………………………………………..

Date:………………………………………………………………………………………..