

# Corinthian Hockey Club

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Dear Parent,

We are very fortunate in Corinthian Hockey Club to have a very committed group of players and coaches in our club. Child welfare is of paramount importance to us and in order to further this we have decided to make things a little more formal. This is keeping with best practice as outlined by The Irish Sports Council. Here below are a few of the things that we are doing and some general housekeeping.

## 1. Code of Conduct

I have enclosed a letter which broadly outlines our code of conduct. There is a form for the children and parents. I would ask that children and parents sign the form and return it to me. You are only asked to do this once for each child, where there is more than one child, the same form can be used.

## 2. Registration Form for next year

## 3. Hockathon

We are trying to raise some much needed funds for the club. We are running a hockathon on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> March 2010. It will run from 9am to 11am for all age groups boys and girls up to and including under 12s. We will have goodies after it. We are asking each child to raised 20 euro each (20 lines at 1 euro each). We would appreciate that whatever money they raise could be brought up on that Saturday. Anyone who would like to help with baking etc would be more than welcome.

## 4. Website

Our website is currently undergoing updating. By the summer I would hope to have all the information relevant to the junior section up on it, playing times, commencement date in September 2010, membership fees, uniform etc.

## 5. General

Unfortunately this year we have been dogged by the weather and a lot of hockey has been called off. The coaches can only ascertain this when they go up to the pitch so this often results in a lot of parents being discommoded. Our aim is to try and play as much hockey as possible and this is the only way we can achieve it.

Children nowadays have lots of extracurricular activities and often have difficulties keeping up with them all. We have a lot of children in all age groups – some children do not like playing games and this is okay. However in organising matches for the kids we base it on the numbers we have registered. Our aim is to ensure that all children irrespective of their level gets to play a game. In order to achieve this we need to know those who are interested in playing. Each coach chooses teams differently and a lot depends on numbers. Sometimes the easiest way of doing it

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is by choosing the team from those who are at training the day before. This is not meant to punish kids but actually to allow children feel free to take breaks when they want. Sometimes teams have to be picked on different criteria and parents are contacted directly, rather than a global text. I would ask that you all respect the decisions made by the coaches.

At the beginning of the season please ensure that you have the number of coach/manager as they will be the main point of contact for matches etc.

## 6. Collection/Supervision

We also ask that there be a designated adult at the pitch should your child become ill or injured. We would ask that all children be picked up on time as we try to avoid leaving coaches in a position of being alone with a child – this ensures protection for both our coaches and children.

## 7. Club Draw

There is a form enclosed for the club draw. This is for people who expressed an interest in sponsoring teams etc. This is an excellent way of helping the club.

As 95% of the running of the club is voluntary we always welcome help from all – you do not have to have experience in hockey, there are many other aspects that you can help with, so please do not be shy in coming forth.

Hope all the children are enjoying their hockey and we would welcome any positive views on how we can improve things.

Yours

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Maria F Wilson Browne  
Chairperson of Junior Section CHC and Child Officer

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Sean Murtagh', written over a horizontal line.

Sean Murtagh  
President CHC

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We the signed below have read and understand the Code of Conduct for Corinthian Hockey Club and agree to abide by same.

Signed

Print name of child/ren	Date of Birth	Signature	Date Signed

Print name of parent	Parents signature	Date signed

Maria F Wilson Browne

Maria F Wilson Browne Junior Club Chairperson CHC

Sean Murtagh

Sean Murtagh Club President CHC