

Prahran Cricket Club: Child Safety

My name is Sue Arscott and I am the Child Safety Officer at the Prahran Cricket Club

As we commence another summer of cricket, we want you to know we are committed to providing a safe physical and online environment for **all** children and young people, including those more vulnerable than others. Having endorsed and

adopted Australian Cricket's Safeguarding Children and Young People Framework, we are committed to protecting children and young people from any form of child abuse, grooming, sexual misconduct or other forms of inappropriate behaviour.

Children are the heart of our club, and they have the right to feel safe, have a voice in decisions affecting them and feel empowered to speak up if they feel uncomfortable.

We ensure anyone working within our club including coaches and volunteers have appropriate background checks.

Everyone involved at our club, including coaches, umpires, team managers, captains, committee members, parents/guardians must always act in accordance with Australian Cricket's Looking After Our Kids Code of Behaviour when interacting with children and young people, by:

- Ensuring children feel safe, supported, included and encouraged;
- Never engaging in sexual misconduct or inappropriate physical contact;
- Providing positive guidance and acting within the scope of their role;
- Never using language that is harmful, discriminatory, racist, sexist, homophobic, biphobic or transphobic;
- Avoiding one-to-one unsupervised situations, including avoiding transporting children without explicit parent/guardian and club consent;
- Restricting communication with children and young people to issues directly related to the club
 and never communicating online with children without including you as the parent/guardian;
- Never supplying children with alcohol or drugs; and
- Always obtaining parent/guardian consent for photographs, footage or livestreaming involving children.

If at any point in time you wish to discuss something or raise a concern, please contact me on pcc.childsafety@gmail.com or speak to someone with whom you feel safe. Concerns can also be raised with our local child protection services. All matters raised will be treated sensitively and will remain confidential.

Further information is available in the PDFs listed on website.

Yours sincerely,

Sue Arscott