



Welcome letter from the Club Chairman

Dear Club Member, Parent/Carer

Welcome to the new 2016/17 rugby season at Canterbury RFC.

Before I talk about the season ahead, I would like to pay tribute to Jonathan Marsh who sadly passed away during the last season. Jonathan had an immense passion for the club and this included the mini and junior section where he supported the varied activities of the section, I hope that I continue to deliver his good works!!

The Mini and Youth section is made up of age groups from U6 to U18 and is supported by a committee led by Digby Williams. Digby, his committee and the club volunteers, work tirelessly to ensure that there is a positive environment at the club and they would welcome your support at the events planned for mini and youth section.

All coaching is led by RFU qualified volunteers who also undertake a DBS Safeguarding check. The club has published policies and documents that protect the welfare of young people, for example, there are policies for code of conducts which cover parents/spectators/coaches and I would invite you to review these documents at our safeguarding page of the club website.

Each age group has an appointed lead coach and manager and if you have any questions about your child's involvement at the club then please contact the relevant age group contact, these details can be found on the club website under the relevant sections.

We are keen that parents are involved in the running of the club and without the large team of volunteers it would be difficult to function, so, if you wish to volunteer to support our activities then please do contact me directly.

As part of your membership you will receive a season ticket that gives you free entry to all home games, under 18's enter free, and it would be great to see you supporting the senior club at our home games during the season.

Finally, thank you for your co-operation and I look forward to seeing you at our great club, we are OneClub.

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