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'Squad in Touch' – Improving Links between Parents and School for Sporting Clubs and Fixtures

Dear Parents/ Carer,

We are extremely excited to continue sporting fixtures against other schools this month. If your son/ daughter is wishing to participate in these fixtures we would ask them, and you, to sign up to 'Squad in Touch' prior to the commencement of fixtures. Squad in Touch is a simple to use platform that helps manage sporting clubs. The primary benefit will be to enable the school to improve communications with parents/ carers regarding all sporting clubs and fixtures at both an individual child and school level. This has now replaced any previously used 'What's App' communication groups.

For parents/ carers to maximise the benefits they will need to subscribe to Squad in Touch, a process that is completely free and only takes a few minutes. This will be the school's principal method of communication regarding **sporting fixtures** and will ensure you are sent specific notifications regarding your child/ children's sporting selections. Through the platform you will be able to see accurate details of dates, times, venues and opponents for your child's teams. You can also use it to view match results and advise the school if your child is unavailable for an event they have been selected for.

If your child participates in any sporting fixtures now, or may in future, you should register in order to ensure you and your child/ children receive all the relevant information. You can do this via the app on your phone **or** the Squad In Touch website. When you log in you will only be able to access information relating to your child/ children. However, if you would like general information regarding all sporting fixtures and results for Prince Henry's Grammar School these can be accessed via the website <https://princehenrys.squadintouch.com>.

We invite you to create an account with Squad in Touch and you can register in three easy steps:

- 1) Sign up at www.squadintouch.co.uk **or** install the mobile application from the Android Play Store or from the App Store for iOS.
- 2) Enter your details and verify your mobile phone and email address. **These need to be identical to those of the primary contact already held by the school or your account will not be authorised.**

- 3) Select your school. You can locate your school by entering the school name in the relevant field (Otley Prince Henrys). If you need any help during the registration process, contact Squad In Touch via email at support@squadintouch.co.uk or use the live chat box (located at the bottom right of the home page of the Squad In Touch website).

Once you have registered on the Squad In Touch website, notification will be sent to school for your account to be authorised. Once your account has been authorised you will be able to access all aspects relating to your child/ children's sporting club selections.

Please note that if you already have a child on squad in touch and are adding a second child then you will need to do this from a computer and follow the instructions below:

1. Click in the top right corner (to the left of the word 'Parent' - if you have added a photo to your account, please click on your photo avatar)
2. Go to the **REQUESTS** tab and from there click on the **ADD NEW REQUEST** button
3. Fill out the pop-up form

We continue to review all areas of communication regarding sporting fixtures and are hoping to move across to Arbor - utilising the school's recently launched data management system - at some point in the future. For now though, Squad in Touch will be the main point of contact regarding sporting fixtures.

Thank you for your continued support.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Curtis
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