



MISSING CHILD POLICY

In the event of a child going missing Kentisbeare Cricket Club will take the following steps:

- Ensure that any other children in their care are looked after appropriately whilst they organise a search for the child concerned
- Inform the child's parents if they are present at the event, or nominate an appropriate person to telephone them and advise them of the concern.
- Organise all available responsible adults by areas to be searched.
- Search the area in which the child has gone missing including changing rooms, toilets, public and private areas and the club grounds.
- Request all those searching to report back to a nominated person at a specific point
- The nominated person should remain at the specific reference point and must be making a note of the events, including detailing a physical description of the child including approximate height, build, hair and eye colour as well as clothing the child was wearing and where / when they were last seen, as this will be required by the police. If the search is unsuccessful the police will be informed
- A report will go to the police no later than 20 minutes after the child's disappearance is noted, even if the search is not complete.
- Recommendations from the police will be followed
- At any stage the child is located all adults involved including the parents, searchers and police will be informed immediately
- All missing child incidents will be notified to the Club Welfare Officer at the earliest opportunity, who in turn will notify the County Welfare Officer.

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