



Dear Parent,

We are writing to you to update you on a number of areas that are relevant to all parents of our juvenile players from U18 downwards.

At a recent meeting of our juvenile committee three important points were discussed;

- Player Burnout
- Player Insurance
- Communication between juvenile players and their coaches

In relation to the first point, we are conscious that in a small rural club such as ours, some of our stronger players will be part of a number of our club teams. They may also be involved with schools teams as well as taking part in other sports. Our policy is that we do not expect any of our juvenile players to train with several different teams several times each week. Therefore, we will depend on the parents to keep the coaches informed if they feel that their child is doing an excessive amount of training and the club coaches will then prioritise the training sessions that this player should attend.

In relation to juvenile insurance, please see attached a separate note informing you of the club's policy. Please contact our club Insurance Officer – Andrew O' Neill 087 9505173 – if you have any queries on this.

In relation to communication between juvenile players and their coaches, please note that coaches are not allowed to make direct contact with any juvenile member. All texts etc. must be directed through the parents. Please respect our coaches who are all giving their time voluntarily by responding to **all** texts to confirm if your child will be attending training/matches. While we appreciate that parents are busy, our coaches are also busy. We do not want them to be in a position where they have to follow up directly with parents to confirm if they have enough players for a training session or a match. On a related point, Kilkenny Bord Na nOg have recently issued an update confirming that they will not allow clubs to change fixtures at short notice so your assistance in replying to all texts will be greatly appreciated.

If you have any queries on this or any other matter, please contact your child's coach directly or any of the juvenile club officers.

Yours Sincerely,

Denis Walsh

Secretary - Dunnamaggin Juvenile GAA Club