



## Aims and values

### Background

The Independent Association of Prep Schools (IAPS) is a schools association with over 660 of the world's leading prep schools in membership. It represents world-class head teachers, who lead world-class schools and is proud to work with its members as they deliver excellent standards of education and care to their pupils.

IAPS passionately believes sport plays an important part of an all-round education for its pupils. There's growing research that links physical activity to improvements in educational achievement by helping children develop skills such as problem-solving, resilience, perseverance, confidence and teamwork.

One of the benefits of membership is access to a programme of sports competitions. IAPS hosts over 160 events a year across 22 sports, which are hugely popular with schools.

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The association is a partnership between members, the Committees, the Board and HQ staff; working collaboratively to deliver the associations strategic plan.

First and foremost, the sports events are there to provide children with a safe environment to enjoy competitive sport.

The following **aims and values** shape IAPS and the sport programme. IAPS expects all schools to advocate these, alongside the codes of conduct, when attending an event.





## Enjoyment | Professional Respect | Honesty | Participation

1. Provide a high-quality service to members.
2. Provide a comprehensive programme of events which is driven by members desires.
3. Deliver an inclusive programme of events which provides as many children as reasonably possible with the opportunity to take part.
4. Advocate that fun and enjoyment is at the core of every sport event.
5. Provide children with a safe environment to participate in competitive sport.
6. Provide members with professional development opportunities to enrich their skills and knowledge.
7. Provide members with support and advice.
8. Work closely with national governing bodies to promote sporting best practices and deliver all competitions in line with their rules.

