

Trojan Gymnastic Club, Club Children's Officer

Everyone involved Club in Trojan Gymnastic Club undertake to maintain a safe and enjoyable environment. There is a duty to care by all adults to safeguard the health, safety and welfare of our young gymnasts whilst they are participating in competition or training.

Adults have a crucial leadership role within their Club and can contribute greatly to the positive atmosphere for all.

Relationships between adults and children in Trojan Gymnastic Club should be open, positive, and respectful and governed by our Safeguarding Policy

A Children's Officer and a Designated Liaison Person have been appointed to help and encourage a child/youth centred ethos.

The Club Children's officer s have prepared for their role by attending the 'Basic Awareness Workshop' for 'Safeguarding children in Sport' and the Children's Officer workshop

- The Club Children's Officers are child centred in focus and have as their primary aim the establishment of a child/youth centred ethos within the Club.
- They are the link between the children and the adults in the Club.
- They also take responsibility for monitoring and reporting to the Club Management Committee on how Club Policy & Procedures impact on the young people and Coaches.

Functions of the Club Children's Officer

- 1. To ensure that Gymnasts, Coaches, Parents/Guardians, Officials and Spectators are aware of and adhere to the club safeguarding policy.
- 2. To influence policy and practice within the Club in order to prioritise children's needs
- 3. To encourage the involvement of Parents/Guardians in organising Club activities and to cooperate with Parents in ensuring that every young person enjoy their involvement with the Club
- 4. To establish good links with local schools involved in the promotion of Gymnastics

 To ensure that all Coaches have the relevant level of coaching accreditation appropriate to the level of the gymnast.
- 5. Take responsibility for on-going education of the safeguarding policy within the Club (hold information sessions during the year)
- 6. To ensure that age appropriate equipment is available.
- 7. To attend any internal information sessions and seminars organised by Gymnastics Ireland for Children's Officers.