

Pegswood First School



Parent Code of Conduct

At Pegswood First School we are very fortunate to have a supportive and friendly parent body. Our parents recognise that educating children is a process that involves a partnership between parents, class teachers and the school community. As part of that partnership our parents understand the importance of a good working relationship in order to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood. For these reasons we continue to welcome and encourage parents and carers to participate fully in the life of our school.

The purpose of this policy is to provide a reminder to all parents, carers and visitors to our school about their expected conduct. This is so we can continue to enable children to flourish, progress and achieve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and respect.

Respect and concern for others and their rights

We expect parents and carers to show respect and concern for others by:-

- supporting the respectful ethos of our school by setting a good example in their own speech and behaviour towards all members of the school community;
- working together with teachers for the benefit of children. This includes approaching the school to resolve any issues of concern and to discuss and clarify specific events in order to bring about a positive solution;
- seeking to clarify a child's version of events with the school's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue;
- correcting their own child's behaviour especially in public where it could otherwise lead to conflict, aggressive behaviour or unsafe behaviour;
- approaching the school to help resolve any issues of concern.
- avoid using staff as threats to admonish children's behaviour.

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school cannot tolerate parents, carers and visitors exhibiting the following:

- disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of a classroom, office or any other area of the school grounds;
- using loud or offensive language, swearing, cursing, using profane language or displaying temper;
- threatening to harm a member of school staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or pupil regardless of whether or not the behaviour constitutes a criminal offence;
- damaging or destroying school property;
- sending abusive or threatening e-mails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communications;
- defamation of the school or staff character on Facebook or other social networking sites;
- the use of physical aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against your own child on school premises;
- approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of their actions towards your own child/ren; (Such an approach to a child may be seen to be an assault on that child and may have legal consequences)
- smoking and consumption of alcohol or other drugs;
- cycling or scooting on school premises;
- dogs being brought on to school premises.

The above behaviours on school premises will be reported to the appropriate authorities and Governors may prohibit an offending adult from entering the school grounds to safeguard our school community.

We trust that parents and carers will assist our school with the implementation of this policy and thank you for your continuing support.