

CODE OF CONDUCT: Parents and Visitors

The purpose of this document is to provide a guide for all parents and visitors to our school regarding school expectations and parent/visitor conduct. This is so we can continue to flourish, progress and achieve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding and safety at work.

As key stakeholders, our parents will understand the importance of a good working relationship and providing good role model behaviour to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood.

Guidance: we expect parents and visitors to:

- Respect and model the caring ethos of our school whenever on school premises or when communicating directly with the school.
- Demonstrate that **all** members of the school community should be treated with tolerance and respect and therefore set a good example in their own speech, conduct and behaviour.

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

- Attempts to gain entry to any part of the school in disregard of procedure or without permission and appropriate supervision.
- Breaching school security procedures, e.g. not signing in/out when visiting, not displaying the Parent Lanyard on school premises, failing to follow reasonable requests from members of staff.
- Using loud or offensive language and/or displaying aggressive behaviour towards any member of staff.
- Abusive, persistent, or threatening e-mails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication deemed to be vexatious.
- Defamatory, offensive, or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the students/parents/staff, at the school on any social media sites.
- The use of physical aggression towards another adult or child.

The school will not accept any maltreatment of staff or students. Should any of the above behaviour occur, the Executive Principal (or in his absence, a member of the SLT) will be notified and will act accordingly to resolve the situation. Should any of the above behaviour occur on school premises the school may feel it is necessary to contact the School Board and/or the appropriate authorities and if necessary, even ban the offending adult from entering the school grounds.

We trust that parents and visitors will assist our school with the implementation of this

Code of Conduct and we thank you for your continuing support of the school

Derek Laidlaw, Executive Principal