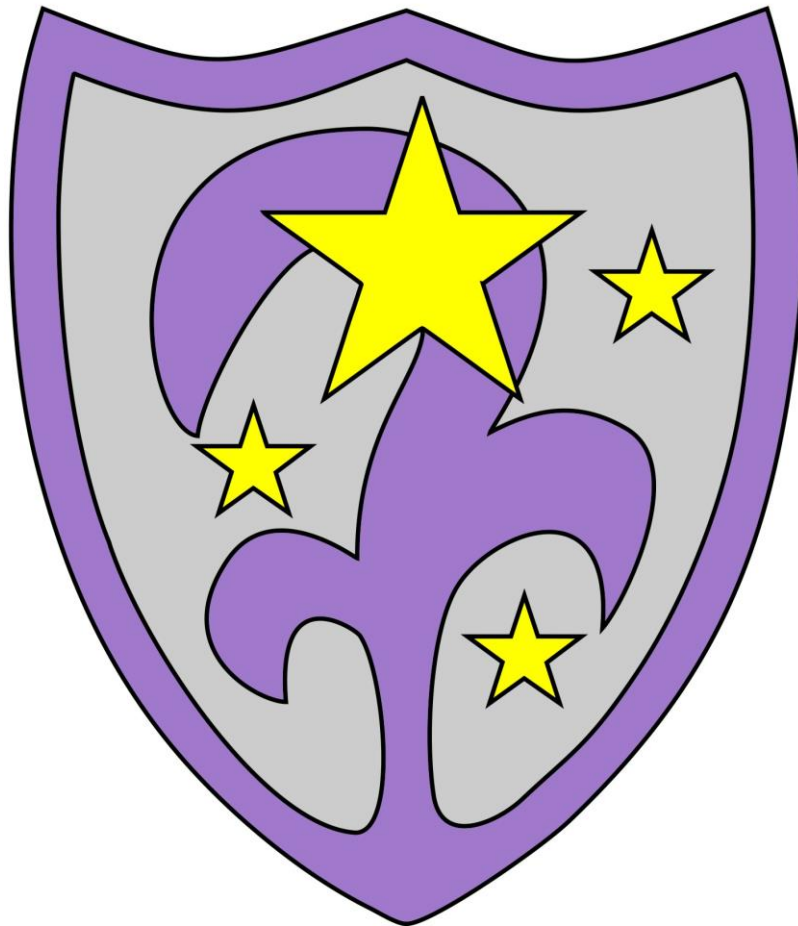


Elliston Academy



No Smoking Policy

Responsibility: Executive Principal

Date: Autumn 2024

Review: Autumn 2025

General

Elliston Primary Academy has a significant role as a health promoting organisation. It recognises that the staff of the school act as role models for our children in all aspects of school life, including health promotion.

Aim

In the light of current legislation and evidence that tobacco smoke causes damage to the health of smokers and non-smokers, we

- Protect our pupils, staff and visitors to the site from the effects of tobacco smoke by ensuring that smoking does not take place on school premises or on any off-site school activities.
- Acknowledge the significant educational role that the school has in discouraging smoking
- Promote a non-smoking message.

Organisation

- We teach children about the dangers of smoking/vaping as part of their personal, social and health education (PSHE) programme. Our aim is to help the children make their own decision not to smoke simply because they believe it is the wrong lifestyle to choose.
- The dangers of smoking/vaping sometimes arise as an issue in science lessons at Key Stage 2, when children learn about the way substances affect the body.

Our No Smoking Policy

Smoking and Vaping is not allowed on the school premises – this includes all buildings, playgrounds and surrounding areas, or any other areas which the governors designate under this policy. No smoking notices are clearly visible to visitors to the site.

Staff

School staff are recognised as role models and as such are required not to smoke or vape on school premises or in sight of pupils at any time when on school business. This includes any visits or off-site activities.

Communicating our Policy

The following methods will be used to inform people of our No Smoking Policy:

- Staff will be informed of the No Smoking Policy at the recruitment stage.
- Clearly worded signs will be sited to inform visitors that our premises are totally No Smoking.
- Information will be included in school handbooks and our website to inform prospective Parents and Carers of our Policy.

Assistance to those who smoke

We recognise that smoking is an addictive behaviour and widespread in our local community. We shall therefore support the efforts of the local Stop Smoking Service and signpost people who seek our help on to the relevant support agencies.

Responsibilities

The Principal, in consultation with the Trust is responsible for the Policy, and its review and will ensure that staff, parents, carers, pupils and visitors to our site are aware of our Policy.

Monitoring and Review

The Executive Principal will monitor the policy and review it as applicable.

Date of next review – Autumn 2024