



**KENNINGTON**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

# ***Parent Code of Conduct***

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## Code of Conduct for Parents of Kennington Primary School

### Introduction

We believe that a strong partnership between home and school is essential for the success of our students. This Code of Conduct outlines the expected behaviour of parents and guardians when interacting with the school and its staff. Under education law, the term parents is wider than just biological parents and refers to:

- Anyone with parental responsibility for a pupil
- Anyone caring for a child (such as grandparents or child-minders)

### General Conduct

- **Respectful Actions:** Treat all staff members, pupils, and other parents with respect and courtesy. Avoid raising your voice or using abusive language.
- **Respectful Language:** Use respectful language when communicating with staff, both in person, in writing and over the telephone.
- **Communication** If you need to discuss a significant matter, please make an appointment with the appropriate staff member. This ensures adequate time for discussion.
- **Feedback:** If you have concerns or suggestions, please approach staff members in a constructive and private manner. Avoid public criticism.

### Conduct on School Premises

- **Supervision:** Ensure that your child is properly supervised while on school grounds, especially during drop-off and pick-up times.
- **Parking:** Park legally, safely and considerately when dropping off and picking up. Avoid parking across residents driveways.
- **Smoking and Alcohol:** Smoking, vaping and alcohol consumption are strictly prohibited on school grounds.

### Additional Considerations

- **Social Media:** Use social media responsibly and avoid making negative comments about the school or its staff.
- **Positive Attitude:** Maintain a positive and supportive attitude towards the school and its pupils and staff.

### In return, parents can expect the following from all school staff

- **Open Communication:** Staff will be approachable and willing to discuss any concerns or questions parents may have.
- **Respectful Treatment:** Staff will treat parents with respect, regardless of their background, education, or socioeconomic status.
- **Timely Responses:** Staff will respond to parent inquiries and concerns in a timely manner.

- **Collaborative Problem-Solving:** Staff should work collaboratively with parents to address any issues or challenges their child may face.

### **Breaching the code of conduct**

If the school suspects, or becomes aware, that a parent has breached the code of conduct, the school will gather information from those involved and speak to the parent about the incident.

Depending on the nature of the incident, the school may then:

- Send a warning letter to the parent
- Invite the parent into school to meet with a senior member of staff or the headteacher
- Contact the appropriate authorities (in cases of criminal behaviour)
- Ban the parent from the school site

The school will always respond to an incident in a proportional way. The final decision for how to respond to breaches of the code of conduct rests with the headteacher.

The headteacher will consult the chair of governors before banning a parent from the school site.

We appreciate your cooperation in adhering to this Code of Conduct. By working together, we can create a positive and supportive learning environment for all students.