THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT / VISITOR CODE OF CONDUCT



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

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

We expect parents, carers and visitors to:

- Respect the caring ethos of our school.
- Understand that both teachers and parents need to work together for the benefit of their children.
- Demonstrate that <u>all</u> members of the school community should be treated with respect and therefore set a good example in their own speech and behaviour.
- Seek to clarify a child's version of events in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue.
- Correct own child's behaviour where it could otherwise lead to conflict, aggressive or unsafe behaviour.
- Approach 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 any area of the school grounds.
- Using loud/or offensive language or displaying temper.
- Threatening to do actual bodily harm to any other person on school premises regardless of whether or not the behaviour constitutes a criminal offence.
- Damaging or destroying school property.
- Abusive or threatening e-mails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication.
- Defamation of the school's or staff character on Facebook or other social 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 their own child. (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.
- Dogs being brought on to school premises.

Should <u>any</u> of the above behaviour occur on school premises the school will implement action and may feel it is necessary to contact the appropriate authorities and, if necessary, even ban the offending adult from entering the school grounds.

We trust that parents and carers will assist our school by abiding by the guidance and we thank you for your continuing support of the school.

We aim to resolve your concerns amicably however if you do have any concerns please contact the class teacher in the first instance. If the matter remains unresolved it will be dealt with by the Headteacher or the Chair of Governors if necessary, so it can be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned.