

<b>Pupil Code of Conduct</b>
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The *Pupil Code of Conduct* is signed by every pupil at the beginning of the year.

### **Pupil Code of Conduct**

#### **You are expected to:**

- Respect staff, other pupils and the Academy's environment. Swearing, bullying, discriminatory, racism, anti-Semitism or homophobic language and deliberately damaging the Academy's property will NOT be tolerated.

**Serious incidents may be dealt with by an internal or external period of suspension. Pupils will be expected to pay for any damage that they cause.**

- Mobile phones, along with any electrical goods and any other personal possessions will be handed in and placed in the Tutor Locker on arrival to school. Items such as vapes and lighters will be removed and disposed of appropriately. Personal items will be left at the risk of the individual pupil and we advise that anything of value is not brought to school.

**All items will be collected by the individual pupil at the end of each day. Anything that is not handed in, in the appropriate manor, will be confiscated and your parents/carers may be asked to come into school to collect it, or if it is an inappropriate item it will be disposed of appropriately.**

**All pupils will be greeted and wanded on entering the school site.**

- All pupil will be requested to remove coat and/or caps/hats when indoors.
- Hoodies are not prohibited in school and will be left on arrival in the basket available and collected at the end of the day when pupils leave.
- Wear full school uniform daily. Exceptions maybe put in place in line with pupils EHCPs or any other form of evidence. Where pupils do not have appropriate uniform on arrival to school, they will be offered alternative uniform for the day and if possible will be allowed to return home to change and to return in the correct uniform.

**If, for any reason, you are unable to provide a note/email/text, the school will provide uniform for you to wear.**

- All pupils are to remain on the school site at all times.

**If you leave the school site, you are considered to be a 'missing person'. Your parents/carers and the police may be notified.**

- Respond to the reasonable requests of all staff. We know there are times when you are angry and upset but we are here to help you. Please talk to us and we will do our best to sort out the problem.

**Just being able to talk someone usually makes you feel better. If you ignore people even when they have tried to help, then you really aren't showing them respect.**

- Smoking or 'Vaping' is NOT allowed anywhere on site at Wandle Valley Academy.

**If you are found with cigarettes, lighters or any smoking related items, we will confiscate them and permission will be sought from your parents/carers to destroy them**

Pupils must agree to a reasonable request to be searched if they are suspected of carrying any substances or items listed in the banned item list within *the DfE Publication*;

*Searching, screening and confiscation – advice for Headteachers, school staff and governing bodies - February 2014. Pages 3-4.*

*“Headteachers and staff authorised by them have a statutory power to search pupils or their possessions, without consent, where they have reasonable grounds for suspecting that the pupil may have a prohibited item. Prohibited items are:*

- o knives or weapons*
- o alcohol*
- o illegal drugs*
- o stolen items*
- o tobacco and cigarette papers*
- o fireworks*
- o pornographic images*
- o any article that the member of staff reasonably suspects has been, or is likely to be, used to commit an offence, or*
- o to cause personal injury to, or damage to the property of, any person (including the pupil).”*

**If we think you have something on you that is on the above list, we have the right to ask you to empty your bag or pockets, we also have the right to search you if we think you are hiding something. If we find something it will be taken off you and, depending on what it is, it may be returned to you at the end of the day or destroyed and your parents/carers will be told.**

***Please sign, detach and return this sheet only to the School Office. The Pupil Code of Conduct should be kept by the Pupil.***

I confirm that I understand, and agree to abide by the Pupil Code of Conduct.

**Pupil Name:** .....

**Pupil Signature:** .....

**Tutor:** .....

**Date:** .....