

Parent / Carer Code of Conduct Policy

Passed and adopted by Governing Body:

Signed: Carrillips

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At Stockingford Maintained Nursery School we are very fortunate to have positive relationships with our parents and carers that are well supported through our opendoor policy with the leadership team and key person process.

Our parents/carers recognise that educating children is a process that involves a partnership between parents/carers, teachers, educators and the school community.

As a partnership, our parents/carers understand the importance of good working relationships to effectively support their child's learning and development and to support their child to develop 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 policy is to provide information to all parents, carers and visitors to our school about the expected conduct. This is so that we can continue to flourish progress and achieve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding.

Guidance:

We expect that parents and carers will:

- Respect the caring and nurturing ethos of our school
- Understand that both staff and parents / carers need to work together for the benefit of their children
- Demonstrate that all 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 with the school's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue
- Ensure their own child's behaviour, especially in public does not lead to conflict, aggressive behaviour or unsafe behaviour
- Approach the school to help resolve any issues of concern

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school will not tolerate parents, carers and visitors exhibiting the following:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of a classroom, an employee's office, office area or any other area of the school grounds
- Using overly loud/or offensive language, swearing, cursing, using profane language or displaying temper or intimidating body language.

- Threatening actual bodily harm to a member of school staff, Governor, visitor, fellow parent/carer or pupil 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
- Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parent/staff, at the school on Facebook or other social sites.
- Any concerns you may have about the school must be made through the
 appropriate channels by speaking to the Head Teacher, a member of our
 Senior Leadership team, or the Chair of Governors, so they can be dealt with
 fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned as per our complaints
 policy.
- The use of physical aggression towards another adult or child will not be tolerated. This includes physical punishment of your own child on school premises
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss the actions of that child towards their own child or to chastise them for those actions. Such an approach to a child may constitute an assault on that child and have legal consequences
- Smoking including vapes and e-cigarettes, consumption of alcohol or other drugs whilst on school property. Please can we request that parents/carers refrain from smoking by entrances to our school site.
- Animals being brought on to school premises without express prior agreement from the Headteacher.

This school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all visitors, staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

Should **any** of the above behaviour occur on school premises the school may feel it is necessary to contact the appropriate authorities and if necessary, prohibit the offending adult from entering the school grounds.

We trust that parents and carers will assist our school with the implementation of this policy and we thank you for your continuing support of the school.