

St Edward's Catholic Academy

Parent Code of Conduct



At St Edward's Catholic Academy we are very fortunate to have a very supportive and friendly parent body. We recognise that parents are the foremost educators of their children. Our parents and carers recognise that educating children is a process that involves a partnership between parents, the academy staff and the school community. As part of that partnership our parents understand the importance of a good working relationship in order to develop each and every child to their full academic, social, moral and spiritual potential. We welcome and encourage parents and carers to participate fully in the life of our academy. This notice is to provide a reminder to all parents, carers and visitors to our academy about their expected conduct so we can continue to enable children to flourish and achieve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding.

Guidance

We expect parents, carers and visitors to:

- Understand that both teachers and parents 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 academy's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue.
- Correct their own child's behaviour especially in public where it could otherwise lead to conflict, aggressive behaviour or unsafe behaviour.
- Approach the academy to help resolve any issues of concern.

In order to support a peaceful and safe academy environment the academy cannot tolerate parents, carers and visitors exhibiting the following:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes with the operation of a classroom, office or any other area of the academy grounds.
- Using loud/or offensive language, swearing, displaying temper or aggression.
- Intimidation towards any member of staff, pupil or visitor.
- Threatening to harm a member of academy staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or pupil regardless of whether or not the behaviour constitutes a criminal offence.
- Sending abusive or threatening e-mails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communications.
- Defamation of the academy or staff character on Facebook or other social networking sites.
- The use of physical aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against your own child on academy premises.
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of their actions towards your own child/ren.
- Damaging or destroying academy property.
- Smoking and consumption of alcohol or other drugs
- Dogs being brought on to academy premises.

Should any of the above behaviour occur on academy premises the academy in liaison with the Governors will consider whether or not a parent's/carer's licence to enter the academy premises should be revoked. We trust that parents and carers will help in implementing this policy for the safety and well-being of all members of the school community and we thank you for your continuing support.

Please contact the academy office if you would like to take a more active part in academy life by volunteering to help in class on a regular or occasional basis. You are always welcome to join our fundraisers committee and help out in whatever capacity you can. We value and welcome your contribution, however large or small.