

Holymead Primary School
Code of Conduct for Parents and Carers

We encourage and recognise partnerships with our parents and carers, and work hard to maintain mutual respect and recognition of shared responsibility for the children.

The code of conduct for parents and carers of pupils at our school is based on mutual respect for school staff, pupils, other parents and carers and members of the wider community. Included in this is respect for school property and other visitors.

The school expects parents and carers to adhere to the rights respecting ethos of the school. This includes:

- Working in partnership with teachers for the benefit of pupils.
- Model positive behaviours that demonstrate that all members of the school community should be treated with respect.
- 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
- Support the school's policies, specifically policies that relate to behaviour, health and safety, and safeguarding.
- Treat any information with total confidentiality and communicate concerns to school staff (including senior leaders) and work in partnership to resolve issues effectively.

In order to promote safe and secure school environment the school does not tolerate:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of a classroom, office or other area of school grounds.
- Loud or offensive language, swearing, cursing or aggressive behaviour.
- Threats, either direct or indirect, towards any member of the school community.
- Damaging or destroying school property
- Sending abusive or threatening messages (e.g. emails, text/voicemail/phone messages or other written or voice communications).
- The use of cameras/mobiles for recording or taking pictures on school property (except for specific events such as school concerts, performances, sports Days, class assemblies).
- Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parents/carers/staff at the school including on social media.
- The use of physical aggression towards another adult or child; this includes physically punishing your own child – the school does not tolerate the use of physical aggression towards another adult or child.
- Chastising someone else's child
- Smoking, including e-cigarettes or consuming alcohol or drugs whilst on school property

We thank parents and carers for their support and cooperation in following the expectations set out in this policy.

Abusive or aggressive behaviour towards staff, pupils, other parents and carers, visitors or members of the wider school community will not be tolerated. All members of the school community have a right to expect that the school is a safe place.

If the parents and carers' behaviour does not meet the expectations set out in this Code of Conduct, permission for them to be on the school premises may be withdrawn.

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Unicef Article 19 – Children have a right to be protected from harm