



Parents', Carers' and Visitors' Code of Conduct

At Oakdale Primary School we are very fortunate to have supportive parents and carers. Our parents recognise that educating children is a process between home and school and understand the importance of working together to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood.

The purpose of this code is to remind parents and visitors about expected conduct to ensure a safe and positive environment for our children.

OUR SCHOOL VALUES ARE:

Care: We care for ourselves, each other and the environment.

Respect: We respect each other's views, cultures, religions and rights.

Collaboration: We learn together.

Aspiration: We aspire to be the best we can be.

Challenge: We aim to think creatively and face challenges with a positive attitude.

WHAT YOU CAN EXPECT FROM SCHOOL:

Our school staff and pupils aim to support these values in their day to day behaviour. All Staff are held to account through the Staff Code of Conduct. The behaviour of staff should always be of the highest standard, setting a good example by all they do, always being mindful of the public face of the school and maintaining confidentiality at all times, especially when using social networking sites.

OUR EXPECTATIONS OF PARENTS:

- Supporting the respectful ethos of the school by setting a good example in their own speech and behaviour towards all members of the school community.
- Working together with school staff for the benefit of the pupils. This includes approaching the school in the first instance to resolve any issues or concerns and to discuss and clarify events to bring about a positive resolution.
- Reinforcing the school's policy on behaviour.
- Respecting the school environment, following rules and procedures for pupils' safety, including parking considerately.

In order to support a peaceful, respectful and safe school environment, the school will not accept:

- Disruptive behaviour (including unreasonable demands) and behaviour which takes time away from staff fulfilling their responsibilities which interferes with the operation of a classroom, office or school grounds.
- Using language or behaving in a manner which causes distress or offense to staff or other members of the school community.
- Threatening behaviour or use of physical aggression to another adult or child; this includes approaching someone else's child to chastise them and physical punishment of your own child on school premises.
- Abusive or insulting language, threatening, malicious or inflammatory emails, phone or social network messages or posts towards the school or school staff.
- Electronically recording (including filming or taking photographs) meetings, telephone calls and conversations without the prior knowledge of consent of the persons involved.

Oakdale Primary School considers the negative use of social media as unacceptable, not in the best interests of the children or school community and is contradictory to our practice in educating pupils about e-safety. Social networking sites are not the appropriate forum if parents have issues or concerns about the school. Any issues should be brought to the class teacher in the first instance or in case of any further worries to the members of the Senior Leadership Team including the Headteacher or Deputy Head.

In the event that any pupil or parent is found to be posting libellous or defamatory comments on social media sites they will be reported to the abuse section of the site. Social networking sites have clear rules about the content which can be published and they provide robust mechanisms to report content or activity which breaches this.

Any of the above behaviours could result in the offender's permission to enter the school being withdrawn and legal action being taken against the offender.

We trust that Parents and Carers will assist the school in implementation of the Code of Conduct so we can all continue to maintain positive relationships.

Thank you for your continuing support.

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I have read and agree the Parents' Code and Visitors' Code of Conduct.

Signed(parent/carer)

Child's name

Date