



Parent, Carer & Visitor Code of Conduct

This is an unsigned document which we expect all parents and carers to abide by at all times. We would expect that parents would make all persons responsible for collecting children aware of this policy.

The KSS vision is 'We are Cherished, We are Challenged, We are Children of God' and we expect all the relationships in and around the school community to mirror this vision.

At Kirkstall St Stephen's C of E Primary School, we are fortunate to have a supportive and friendly parent body. Our parents recognise that educating children effectively is a process that involves partnership between parents, staff and the wider school community. As partners, our parents will understand the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with 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 document is to provide a reminder to all parents, carers and visitors to our school about the expected conduct. This is so we can continue to flourish, progress and achieve in an atmosphere of mutual understanding.

As well as following the guidance set out in our Home-School Agreement, we expect parents, carers and visitors to:

- Respect and model the caring ethos of our school whenever on school premises or when communicating directly with the school.
- Understand that school staff and parents need to work together for the benefit of all.
- Demonstrate that all members of the school community should be treated with tolerance and 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.
- Correct own child's behaviour especially in public where it could otherwise lead to conflict, aggressive behaviour or unsafe behaviour.
- Approach or communicate with your child's class teacher in the first instance to help resolve any issues or concerns. Should you feel this is not an appropriate avenue, please contact the Deputy Headteacher or the Headteacher.

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

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with any of the school's normal operation or activities anywhere on the school premises.
- Any inappropriate behaviour on the school premises.
- Using loud or offensive language or displaying temper.
- Threatening in any way a member of staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or child.
- Damaging or destroying school property.
- Sending aggressive, abusive or threatening emails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communications (including social media) to anyone within the school community.
- Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parents/staff/governors at the school on Facebook or other sites.
- The use of physical, verbal or written aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment of your own child on school premises.
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them for any reason. Such an approach to a child may be seen to be an assault on that child and may have legal consequences.
- Smoking, vaping taking illegal drugs or the consumption of alcohol on school premises.