



## Code of conduct

At Leybourne Ss Peter & Paul CE Primary School we are very fortunate to have supportive and friendly parents.

Our parents recognise that educating children is a process that involves partnership between parents, class teachers and the school community. As a partnership, 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 policy is to provide a reminder to all parents, carers and visitors to our school about the expected conduct so that we can continue to flourish, progress and work together to ensure a safe and positive school environment for our children.

### RESPECT AND CONCERN FOR OTHERS AND THEIR RIGHTS

We expect parents and carers to show respect and concern for others by

- Respecting the Christian ethos of our school and demonstrating our values of respect, love, compassion and trust.
- Setting a good example in their own speech and behaviour towards all members of the school community including fellow parents.
- Working in partnership with the school for the benefit of all the children. This includes approaching the school in a professional manner to resolve any issues of concern and to discuss and clarify specific events in order to bring about a positive solution.
- Respecting the school environment, including keeping the school tidy.
- Delivering and collecting children in a timely and orderly manner.
- Realising the safety of children, parents and staff whilst on school grounds.
- Demonstrating safe driving and parking in and around the school grounds.
- Showing compassion and respect for all.
- Avoiding involvement in gossip about children, parents, governors and staff.

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment, the school cannot tolerate

- 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 including team matches and sports day.
- Using language that causes alarm, harassment or distress.
- Threatening 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, parents, staff and governors 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 class teacher, the Head teacher or the Chair of Governors, so they can be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned.
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of the actions of this child towards their own child. (Such an approach to a child may be seen to be an assault on that child and may have legal consequences).
- Smoking, e-cigarettes or drugs.
- Drinking to excess on school premises.
- Dogs being brought onto school premises except guide dogs and educational dogs.

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, even ban the offending adult from entering the school grounds (Kent Act).

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