

Carrwood Primary School

Parent Code of Conduct



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1. Purpose and scope

At Carrwood Primary School, we believe it's important to:

- *Work in partnership with parents to support their child's learning*
- *Create a safe, respectful and inclusive environment for pupils, staff and parents ➤*

Model appropriate behaviour for our pupils at all times

To help us do this, we set clear expectations and guidelines on behaviour for all members of our community. This includes staff (through the staff code of conduct) and pupils (through our behaviour policy).

This code of conduct aims to help the school work together with parents by setting guidelines on appropriate behaviour.

We use the term 'parents' to refer to:

- *Anyone with parental responsibility for a pupil*
- *Anyone caring for a child (such as grandparents or child-minders)*

2. Our expectations of parents and carers

We expect parents, carers and other visitors to:

- *Respect the ethos, vision and values of our school*
- *Work together with staff in the best interests of our pupils*
- *Treat all members of the school community with respect – setting a good example with speech and behaviour*
- *Seek a peaceful solution to all issues*
- *Correct their own child's behaviour (or those in their care), particularly in public, where it could lead to conflict, aggression or unsafe conduct*
- *Approach the right member of school staff to help resolve any issues of concern*

3. Behaviour that will not be tolerated

Behaviours which will not be tolerated include and are not limited to:

- *Disrupting, or threatening to disrupt any school operations or activities anywhere on the school premises.*
- *Any inappropriate behaviour on the school premises*
- *Swearing, or using offensive language*
- *Displaying a temper, or shouting at members of staff, pupils or other parents ➤*

Damaging or destroying school property.

- *Threatening another member of the school community, including staff, pupils, visitors, fellow parents.*
- *Sending abusive messages to another member of the school community, including via text, voice note, voicemail, email or social media.*

- *Posting defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments about the school, its staff or any member of its community, on social media platforms*
- *Use of physical or verbal aggression towards your own or other children.*
- *Any aggressive behaviour (including verbally or in writing) towards another child or adult ➤*
Approaching someone else's child to discipline or chastise them.
- *Smoking or drinking alcohol on the school premises*
- *Possessing or taking drugs (including legal highs)*
- *Bringing dogs onto the school premises (other than guide dogs)*

Should any of the above occur on school premises the school may feel it necessary to take action as outlined below.

4. Breaching the code of conduct

If the school suspects, or becomes aware, that a parent has breached the code of conduct, the school will gather information from those involved and speak to the parent about the incident.

Depending on the nature of the incident, the school may then:

- *Send a warning letter to the parent*
- *Invite the parent into school to meet with a senior member of staff or the headteacher*
- *Contact the appropriate authorities (in cases of criminal behaviour)*
- *Seek advice from the Trust's legal team regarding further action (in cases of conduct that may be libellous or slanderous)*
- *Ban the parent from the school site*

The school will always respond to an incident in a proportional way. The final decision for how to respond to breaches of the code of conduct rests with the headteacher.