

SMOKE FREE POLICY

Introduction

We are committed to achieving the five outcomes for children as stated in Every Child Matters. When considering the use of tobacco on our premises the 'Be Healthy' outcome is paramount. .

Our Smoke Free policy directly relates to the College Drug and Health and Safety policies.

Aims of the Policy

The policy seeks to:

- o To comply with Health & Safety Legislation and Employment Law.
- o To protect the pupils, staff and members of the community from exposure to second hand smoke
- o Raise awareness of the dangers associated with exposure to tobacco smoke and promote the benefit of a smoke free lifestyle to our pupils.
- o Take account of the needs of those who smoke and to support those who wish to stop.

Restrictions on Smoking

Smoking is not permitted in any part of the premises, entrances or grounds at any time, by any person regardless of their status or business with the College. This includes the Car Parks.

Because of our commitment to the well-being of children and the wider health of the community, this smoke free policy extends to the use of our building outside school hours. This will be agreed before hand with those who hire our premises.

Visitors

All visitors, contractors and deliverers are required to abide by the smoke free policy. Staff members are expected to remind parents and visitors of the no-smoking policy. However they are not expected to enter into any confrontation which may put their personal safety at risk.

Vehicles

Smoking is not permitted in vehicles being used on school business, including taxis and school buses.

Support for smokers

Call Smokefree: 0800 022 4 332

Mon to Fri 9am to 8pm, Sat and Sun 11am to 5pm

Disciplinary Action

Staff who disregard the policy will be disciplined according to usual disciplinary procedures.

We will follow our *Pupil Management Policy* when responding to pupils who disregard the smoke free policy.

Monitoring and reviewing

This policy will be monitored annually and reviewed every two years to ensure it continues to meet the aims.

The Smoke Free Policy Co-ordinator is Mrs Jill Clarke.