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# Three Legged Cross First and Nursery School

# Parent Behaviour Policy

## Rationale:

We believe staff, parents and children are entitled to a safe and protective environment in which to work. Behaviour that will cause harassment, alarm or distress to users of the premises is contrary to the aims of the school.

### Aims:

That all members of the school community treat each other with respect Expectation.

- That adults set a good example to children at all times, showing them how to get along with all members of the school and the wider community
- Adults will treat each other with the expected courtesy
- That no members of staff, parents or children are the victims of abusive behaviour or open to threats from other adults on the school premises.
- Physical attacks and threatening behaviour, abusive or insulting language verbal or written, to staff, governors, parents and carers, children and other users of the school premises will not be tolerated and will result in withdrawal of permission to be on school premises.

Any parent who is asked to leave the school premises will have the right to appeal the decision by writing to the Chair of the local governors

Please note that incidents of rudeness will be logged with the Chair of local governors

#### Responsibilities:

All visitors are expected to ensure their behaviour adheres to our belief that our children should be educated in a safe, secure learning environment. Unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated on our site. This is not an exhaustive list but seeks to provide illustrations of such behaviour:

- Shouting, either in person or over the telephone
- Inappropriate posting on Social Networking sites deemed as bullying
- Speaking in an aggressive/threatening tone
- Physically intimidating , e.g. standing very close
- The use of aggressive hand gestures/exaggerated movements
- Physical threats
- Shaking or holding a fist towards another person
- Swearing in person, virtually over the telephone
- Pushing
- Hitting e.g. slapping, punching or kicking
- Spitting
- Racist or sexist comments
- Persistent harassment of staff or other parents
- Emails which are sarcastic, combative or aggressive in tone and language
- Constant emails and/or phone calls which amount to harassment and intimidation, despite the school's best efforts to address a situation
  - inappropriate electronic activity including publishing abusive or inappropriate content with regards to the school, teachers or students on social networking websites such as Facebook and Twitter or in email communication
- Any form of physical violence, such as pushing or hitting
- physical intimidation, e.g. standing unnecessarily close to her/him

• the use of rude or aggressive hand gestures, including shaking or holding a fist towards another person

Unacceptable behaviour may result in the police being informed.

The school reserves the right to take any necessary actions to ensure that members of the school community are not subjected to abuse.

School premises are private property and parents have been granted permission from the school to be on school premises. However, in case of abuse or threats to staff, pupils or other parents, school may ban parents from entering school.

It is also an offence under section 547 of the Education Act 1997 for any person (including a parent) to cause a nuisance or disturbance on school premises. The police may be called to assist in removing the person concerned.

School is not responsible for organising arrangements for children in the above circumstances. Parents will need to provide alternative arrangements for bringing children into school.

Parents have the right of appeal by writing to the Chair of local governors within ten days of permission to enter the school premises being withdrawn.

The primary purpose of the school is to ensure the provision of a high quality education for all learners, irrespective of gender, ethnicity, social and economic background and circumstances, sexual orientation, physical or intellectual capability, nationality, religion or belief, age or chosen lifestyle.

This policy has been reviewed in line with the schools single equality policy.