

## **Wheatfields Primary & Preschool Code of Conduct** **Parents, Carers, Visitors and Volunteers**

At Wheatfields Primary & Preschool we are fortunate to have a supportive, welcoming and friendly community. Our parents, carers and volunteers recognise that educating children is a process that involves partnership between home and school and understand the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with the necessary skills for adulthood. For these reasons, we welcome and encourage you to participate fully in the school life of your child.

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to provide a reminder of expected behaviours from parents/cares/visitors so that we can work together to ensure a safe and positive school environment for the children. We thank you in advance for adhering to our Code of Conduct.

### **I agree to the following:**

- ✓ **I will be respectful and polite in my all interactions with staff, whether on the premises or off: threatening, personal or aggressive, abusive or confrontational behaviour will not be tolerated**
- ✓ **I will not screenshot photographs from the website, Dojo or Tapestry**
- ✓ **I will not take pictures of children, other than my own, on any device nor will I post picture of anyone else's' children online**
- ✓ **I will not use social media as a means to bully or intimidate another member of the school community and understand that any such accusations will be followed up by the school**
- ✓ **I will follow the school's complaints procedure and will not use social media to voice any grievances, make any comment that could be seen as detrimental to the school, or verbally abuse staff**
- ✓ **I will set a good example to all children with my speech and behaviour whilst on school premises**
- ✓ **I will correct my own child's behaviour (or those in their care) where it could lead to conflict, aggression or unsafe conduct**
- ✓ **I will avoid using staff as threats to admonish my child's behaviour.**
- ✓ **I will seek to clarify my child's version of events with the school's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue.**

Staff and Pupils are advised of the dangers of discussing pupils, staff or the school on social networking sites. The School's Governors will consider taking legal action, where appropriate, to protect pupils and staff against cyber bullying and defamatory comments.

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
- Limit contact by allocating one key staff member to communicate with
- 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 local authority's legal team regarding further action (in cases of conduct that maybe libellous or slanderous)
- Ban the parent from the school site (The Headteacher will consult the Chair of Governors in this instance)

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.