

Llanilltud Faerdref Primary School

Parent /Carer Code of Conduct



Llanilltud Faerdref Primary is a caring Rights Respecting school which aims to create a safe, calm. Stimulating learning environment in which every individual has the opportunity to be the best they can be. We value the strong relationship with parents and carers. Together, this helps us achieve the very best for the children in a mutually supportive and respectful partnership between parents, staff, Governors and the whole school community. The maintenance of this relationship is important to ensure that all stakeholders, but particularly the children are safe and not open to undue stress and anxiety.

As a partnership, it is vital that parents understand the importance of a good working relationship with the school. We continually welcome and encourage parents and carers to participate in the life of the school. Parents and carers are always encouraged to contact the school with any concerns and/or issues. The school would appreciate the opportunity to resolve any matter with parents and carers in an appropriate manner, away from pupils and other parents.

Guidance

Parents, carers and visitors are reminded:

- To respect the caring ethos and values of our school
- That both teachers and parents need to work together for the benefit of their children
- Approaching school staff for help to resolve an issue is done in a proper manner
- All members of the school community are treated with respect using appropriate language and behaviour
- The school needs to work with a child in order to clarify their version of events in order to bring about an appropriate solution to an issue
- To correct their child's actions especially where it could lead to conflict, aggressive or unsafe behaviour- both on and off school premises
- To use other strategies rather than using "staff" as threats to sanction their children's behaviour

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment the school will not tolerate parents, carers or visitors exhibiting the following:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with any of the school's operation or activities anywhere on the school premises
- Any inappropriate behaviour on the school premises
- Using loud or offensive language or displaying temper
- Threatening, in any way, a member of school staff, visitor, fellow parent/carers or pupil
- Damaging or destroying school property

Care, Share, Believe, Achieve.

- Sending abusive or threatening emails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication to anyone in the school community
- Defamatory, offensive or derogatory comments regarding the school or any of the pupils/parents/ staff, at the school on Facebook or other social media (see Appendix 1)
- The use of physical or verbal aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against your own child on school premises
- Approaching someone else's child in order to chastise them because of the actions of this child towards their own child (Such an approach to the child may be seen to be an assault on that child and may have legal consequences)
- Smoking, vaping, taking illegal drugs or the consumption of alcohol on school premises
- Dogs being brought on the school premises (other than guide dogs)

Should any of the above occur on school premises the Headteacher and Governing Body of the school may feel it is necessary to take action by contacting the appropriate authorities and/or sadly, consider banning the offending adult from entering the school premises or taking legal proceedings through the Legal Department of the Local Authority. Section 547 of the Education Act 1996 gives powers to the school's governing body or the Local Authority to take such proceedings against person/s who cause nuisance or disturbances on school premises.

Thank you for abiding by this Code of Conduct in our school. Together we create a positive and uplifting environment not only for our children but also for all who work at and visit our school.

Please can parents and carers ensure they make all persons responsible for collecting their children aware of this Code of Conduct.

APPENDIX 1

Inappropriate use of Social Network Site- Social media websites are being used increasingly to fuel campaigns and complaints against schools, school staff and in some cases parents and pupils.

The Governors of Llanilltud Faerdref Primary School consider the use of social media websites being used in this way as unacceptable. Any concerns you may have about the school or your child/children must be made through the appropriate channels by speaking to the class teacher, Headteacher or Chair of Governors, where they will be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned.

Libellous or Defamatory posts- In the event that any pupil or parent of a child at our school is found to be posting libellous or defamatory comments on Facebook or any other social network sites, they will be reported to the appropriate 'report abuse' section of the network site. All social network sites have clear rules about the content which can be posted and they provide robust mechanisms to report conduct or activity which breaches this. The school will also expect that any parent/ carer or pupil removes such comments immediately.

Cyber Bullying- We take very seriously the use of cyber bullying by a child or parent to publically humiliate another by inappropriate social network entry. We will take and deal with this as a serious incident of school bullying.

The school will also consider its **legal options** to deal with any such misuse of social networking and other sites.