

**Please give feedback on this Code of Conduct for Pupils**

**Please note this is not a policy but a Code of Conduct**

**For staff, School Council,BOG, Parents**

# **Code of Conduct for Pupils**

## **Part One**

### **Introduction**

Pupils at Springfield Primary School have the right to an education, which offers them every opportunity to attain their full potential. The Principal, teaching staff and support staff are here to create the circumstances and environment to allow this to happen. Governors, parents and the wider community also assist in this process.

**The Golden rules of our code of conduct are:**

- Respect self, fellow pupils, teachers and other adults
- Respect their own and other people's property
- Be courteous, well-mannered and well-behaved
- Be honest, trusting and hard-working
- Take responsibility for words and actions
- Be friendly and co-operative
- Show tolerance towards others

In order for the above to be achieved it is essential that every member of the school community acknowledges and reflects the values promoted by the school:

## **The Principles in Action**

These values and principles underpin our school ethos and are seen to be met when pupils observe the following:

### **I will:**

- come to school on time
- be prepared, by doing my homework and bringing all the books and items I need for work and play
- do my work to the best of my ability
- work with others in my group
- do as my teacher/ classroom assistant asks
- not shout, swear or use bad language
- take care of my books and school equipment
- help to look after the school buildings and grounds
- not take other people's belongings
- not fight, bully or argue with others

### **I know that the following behaviour is unacceptable:**

- being disruptive in class or when lining up or in the corridor
- using bad language
- bullying, threatening behaviour
- physical violence
- vandalism
- truancy

This Code of Conduct has been written with the well-being of the children in mind, in order that they may grow and develop into respectful and responsible citizens.

Emphasis in the school is on promoting and recognising good behaviour rather than on punishing bad. We feel however that in the rare cases of bad behaviour parents should be aware of the procedures used in school to ensure that Springfield Primary School is a happy and safe place for all.

## Part 2

### Code of Conduct & School Rules

Good behaviour and discipline are key foundations for good education. Without an orderly atmosphere, effective teaching and learning cannot take place. We expect and insist on the highest standards of behaviour throughout our school.

Courtesy, good manners and consideration for others, together with self-discipline and a proper respect for authority, are encouraged at all times and are important if we are to make our school a true, caring community. We place great emphasis on praising children for politeness and kindness to others. *Principal Awards* are given for outstanding work or actions.

The Principal will bring any serious breach of discipline or any disruptive behaviour to the attention of the parents concerned and an appropriate course of action will be decided upon.

A copy of the school behaviour and discipline policy is also available from the Principal and on our school website. Our Code of Conduct and School Rules are explained fully in this. The school 'Code of Conduct' is published in the Springfield Primary School Prospectus. The Code of Conduct clearly states what behaviour is acceptable and what is not acceptable'.

All children are expected to make a full contribution to the school community and support the positive endeavours of all its members. Rules are essential for the benefit of all in any community and we try to keep these as simple as possible, but we do expect them to be kept. They are:

1. Children should take pride in their school and grounds.
2. Courtesy and respect should be shown to others at all times.

3. Always do your best work
4. Children should walk quietly in the corridors.
5. Children should respect the property of other pupils.
6. Children should never leave the school without permission.
7. Children should always tell the truth.
8. Children should come to school on time.
9. Children should behave properly on the way home from school.
10. Children should obey the staff of the school.

These rules are designed for the safety of all children:

- There must be no running in the school building.
  - Before school, at playtime and after eating the mid-day meal, children are not allowed in classrooms unless the weather is bad, or unless instructed by a teacher.
  - Climbing on walls, gates and fences is not allowed.
  - Children must not play on the grass areas unless given specific permission to do so.
  - Chewing gum and penknives are not permitted in school.
  - School uniform must be worn at all times.
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- Please see our School Prospectus or school website [www.springfieldprimary.com](http://www.springfieldprimary.com) for further information

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