

## St Mary's Isleworth

## CODE OF CONDUCT

This Code of Conduct clearly states what behaviour is acceptable and what is not acceptable, i.e. the school 'rules'.

All children are expected to make a full contribution to the school and support the positive endeavours of all its members. At all times we try to live out our mission statement.

Our school family at St Mary's wants this to be a safe, caring, creative and happy place, where we all have a fair chance to learn and grow together and to do the best we can. We do this by knowing and loving Jesus more every day and by following his teachings in a joyful way.

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:

Children should behave in a responsible manner and are expected to do what they are told, when they are told, whilst under our care. Consideration, courtesy and respect should be shown at all times.

Everyone should always try to understand other people's point of view

This means:

- Listening carefully
- Taking turns in discussions

Children are expected to make it as easy as possible for everyone to learn and for the teacher to teach, whether this takes place inside or outside the classroom.

This means:

- Arriving on time with everything you need for each day
- Being courteous and orderly
- Listening carefully
- Following instructions
- Helping each other when appropriate
- Being quiet and sensible at all times

Children should always show friendship, kindness and care to others.

This means:

- Never fighting
- Never pushing or pulling people
- Never hitting or kicking
- Never throwing objects at others
- Never bullying
- Never using race, gender, size, sexuality or disability to harass or upset others
- Never taking over the apparatus or playground space from another class that has been timetabled to use it.
- Never going to the toilet at playtimes without a coloured band.
- Never crossing an area which has been marked as 'out of bounds'.

Children should be sensible and quiet when in school.

This means:

- Never running in or around the building or in the car park area
- Never running between or behind the cars in the car park
- Never leaving the school premises without permission
- Never disturb other lessons with noise
- Never barging but being ready to help opening doors, standing back to let people pass and helping carry things
- Not remaining in classrooms at playtime or dinner time without express permission of a member of staff, unless of course the weather is inclement and it is wet play the judgement of this being left to the teacher on duty that day or Dinner Lady.
- Never bringing a mobile phone, tablet or camera into school.

Children should always speak politely to each other and all adults.

This means:

- Never shouting
- Never calling out to someone from a distance, especially in the classroom
- Addressing all adults in the proper manner
- Never use bad language, 'answer back', call people names or any other form of verbal abuse
- Never pulling at face, huffing or tutting
- Never disturb someone who is quietly working

Children should be silent whenever they are required to be.

This means:

- When entering or leaving the hall for celebrations, concerts or Assembly
- Stopping what they are doing immediately they are required to, and listening at the end of playtimes, when the bell is rung.

The school should be kept clean and tidy so that it can be a welcoming place of which we can be proud.

This means:

- Putting litter in bins
- Keeping walls, floors and furniture clean and unmarked
- Taking care of the displays of work
- Keeping off the shrubs and grass areas at the school entrance and grass play area unless permission has been granted to use them
- Hanging up coats and bags; keeping the corridor areas clear
- Making sure uneaten food from packed lunches is kept in a properly closed food box
- Keeping lunch boxes in lunch box trolleys

Children should take pride in their appearance and possessions and have respect for other people.

This means:

- That the correct uniform and P.E. Kit is worn properly
- That no jewellery is worn (except watches)
- That no make-up, hair gel or nail polish is worn to school
- That long hair is tied back tidily away from the face
- That no large sums of money are brought to school
- Never taking other people's possessions

Children should remember that the school's reputation depends on the way they behave.

This means:

• Behaving sensibly and respectfully when on a school trip or coming to and going home from school

Children should make every effort to attend every day and be punctual.

This means:

- Being at school by 8.55 am at the latest and not before 8.45 am. unless special permission has been granted for instance for a before school club.
- Going straight into classes on arrival, not staying at school after 3.20 pm. unless for an organised event or with the prior permission of a teacher.
- Waiting in reception by the blue chairs if their parents are late.
- Never opening the glass doors for anybody.

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