

Dovedale Primary School Code of Conduct Whilst on School Premises

We want staff, parents, carers and children to belong to a safe and protective school community. Behaviour that can be perceived to cause harassment, alarm or distress to users of the premises is contrary to the aims of the school.

Our aim is to ensure that all members of the school community treat each other with respect and communicate and behave appropriately.

We expect:

- That adults will 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.
- 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.
- Appropriate behaviour at all times.

Physical attacks, threatening behaviour, abusive or insulting language verbal or written, **to or about** staff, governors, parents and carers, children and other users of the school premises will not be tolerated and any such incidents will result in withdrawal of permission to be on school premises.

Guidelines

Types of behaviour that are considered serious and unacceptable and will not be tolerated towards any member of the school community:

- Shouting, either in person or over the telephone.
- Making inappropriate comments to or about any member of the school community.
- 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
- Pushing
- Hitting e.g. slapping, punching or kicking
- Spitting
- Racist, sexist or homophobic comments

This is not an exhaustive list but seeks to provide illustrations of such behaviour and 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, carers and visitors are granted permission from the school to be on school premises. However, in cases of abuse or threats to staff, pupils or other parents, school may ban parents/carers/visitors from entering school. The police may also be called to assist in removing the person concerned.

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

Parents/carers/visitors have the right of appeal by writing to the Chair of Governors within ten days of permission to enter the school premises being withdrawn. Any such incidents will also be logged with the Chair of Governors.