

Parent/Carer Code of Conduct

Myton School



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OUR MISSION AND VALUES:

Our mission is to prepare students for lifelong success. This mission is underpinned by our four core values:

Creating **self-assured learners** who confidently navigate their way through their studies and communicate with confidence. Students can reflect on their own strengths and weaknesses and take responsibility for their own learning. They understand the impact their actions and behaviour have on others and themselves and demonstrate the highest standards of conduct both in and out of the classroom.

Removing barriers which may hinder the progress for students, helping them better cope with the rigours of our school and our curriculum. Subsequently, all our students achieve very well.

Working together ensuring our students, staff, parents, and partners all share the highest aspirations for our students and work effectively alongside one another for the good of our students and our community.

Investing in futures by developing a strong work ethic in our students so they can thrive and providing high quality aspirational careers guidance at all stages. Investing in our staff so that they are always developing themselves to inspire and motivate our students.

At Myton School we are committed to providing an excellent education of the highest quality for all students no matter their background or starting points. To achieve this, our focus is on high quality teaching and memorable experiences throughout their time with us.

1. Purpose and scope

At Myton School, we believe it's important to:

- Work in partnership with parents to support their child's learning
- Create a safe, respectful, and inclusive environment for pupils, staff, and parents
- Model appropriate behaviour for our pupils at all times

To help us do this, we set clear expectations and guidelines on behaviour for all members of our community. This includes staff (through the staff code of conduct) and pupils (through our behaviour policy).

This code of conduct aims to help the schoolwork together with parents by setting guidelines on appropriate behaviour.

We use the term 'parents' to refer to:

- Anyone with parental responsibility for a pupil
- Anyone caring for a child

2. Our expectations of parents and carers

We expect parents, carers, and other visitors to:

- Respect the ethos, vision, and values of our school
- Respect and support the policies of the school
- Work together with staff in the best interests of our pupils
- Treat all members of the school community with respect – setting a good example with speech and behaviour
- Seek a peaceful solution to all issues
- Correct their own child's behaviour (or those in their care), particularly in public, where it could lead to conflict, aggression or unsafe conduct
- Approach the right member of school staff to help resolve any issues of concern

3. Behaviour that will not be tolerated

- Disrupting, or threatening to disrupt, school operations (including events on the school grounds and sports team matches)
- Swearing, or using offensive language
- Displaying a temper, or shouting at members of staff, pupils, or other parents
- Threatening another member of the school community
- Sending abusive messages to another member of the school community, including via text, email, or social media
- Posting defamatory, offensive, or derogatory comments about the school, its staff, or any member of its community, on social media platforms
- Use of physical punishment against your child while on school premises
- Any aggressive behaviour (including verbally or in writing) towards another child or adult
- Disciplining another person's child – please bring any behaviour incidents to a member of staff's attention
- Smoking, vaping, or drinking alcohol on the school premises (unless alcohol has been allowed at a specific event)
- Possessing or taking drugs (including legal highs)
- Bringing dogs onto the school premises (other than guide dogs)

4. Breaching the code of conduct

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
- 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 our legal team regarding further action (in cases of conduct that may be libellous or slanderous)
- Ban the parent from the school site

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.

The headteacher will consult the chair of governors before banning a parent from the school site.