

Parent, Carers and Visitors Code of Conduct

BRADBURY PUBLIC SCHOOL PARENT

At Bradbury School we are very proud and fortunate to have a very dedicated and supportive school community. At our school the staff, parents and carers all recognise that the education of our children is a partnership between us.

We expect our school community to respect our school expectations and set a good example with their own behaviour both on school premises and when accompanying students on school visits.

In addition we also expect our parents, carers and visitors to keep our children safe by adhering to the school's request to park safely outside the school gates during morning and afternoon collections.

As a partnership we are all aware of the importance of good working relationships and all recognise the importance of these relationships to equip our children with the necessary skills for their education. For these reasons we will continue to welcome and encourage parents and carers to participate fully in the life of our school.

The purpose of this code of conduct is to provide the expectations around the conduct of all parents, carers and visitors connected to our school.

We are committed to resolving difficulties in a constructive manner, through an open and positive dialogue. However, we understand that everyday misunderstandings can cause frustrations and have a negative impact on our relationships. Where issues arise or misconceptions take place, please contact your child's teacher or executive staff, who will be available to meet with you and go through the issue and hopefully resolve it.

Bradbury Code of Conduct aims to clarify the types of behaviour that will not be tolerated.

The code of conduct also sets out the **actions** the school can take should this code be ignored or where breaches occur.

Behaviour that will not be tolerated:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with any of the schools normal 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 staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or child.
- Damaging or destroying school property.



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

Should **any** of the above occur on school premises or in connection with school the school may feel it is necessary to take action by contacting the appropriate authorities or consider banning (Inclosed Lands Protection Act) the offending adult from entering the school premises.

What happens if someone ignores or breaks the code?

In the event of any parent/carer or visitor of the school breaking, this code then proportionate actions will be taken as follows:

- 1. In cases where the unacceptable behaviour is considered to be a serious and potentially criminal matter, the concerns will in the first instance be referred to the Police. This will include any or all cases of threats or violence and actual violence to any child or staff in the school.
- 2. Where it is deemed necessary contact will be made with the parent to resolve the issue. If the parent/carer refuses to enter into resolution then the school will write to the parent/carer and ask them to stop the behaviour causing the concern and warn that if they do not they may be banned from the school premises. If after this behaviour continues, the parent/carer will again be written to and informed that a ban is now in place.

Note: A ban from the school can be introduced without having to go through all the steps offered above in more serious cases.

Thank you for abiding by this code in our school. Together we create a positive and uplifting environment not only for the children, but also all who visit our school.