



**Title: Code of Conduct for Parents/Carers and Visitors**

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This Code of Conduct is an agreement between the Parent, Carer, Visitor and Upton Meadows Primary School. By signing our Home School Agreement, you agree to abide by this code of conduct in order to maintain our positive school ethos.

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

We expect our school community to respect our positive school ethos, keep our school tidy and set a good example of their own behaviour both on school premises and when accompanying classes 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 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 life skills.

The purpose of this Code of Conduct is to outline the expectations we have for 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. Where issues arise or misunderstandings take place, please contact your child's class teacher or the Headteacher, who will arrange to meet with you so your concerns can be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned. If you are not happy with the outcome, you can also ask for a copy of the Complaints Procedure and follow the steps for a formal complaint.

Behaviour, including online activity via Facebook/Twitter/What's App groups etc., 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.
- Using loud or offensive language or displaying temper.
- Threatening in any way, a member of staff, visitor, fellow parent/carers or child.
- Damaging or destroying school property.
- Not abiding by the rules the school sets out for social media



- Sending abusive or threatening emails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communications (including social media/unofficial year group Facebook pages) to anyone within the school community.
- 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 (alcohol may only be consumed during authorised events).
- Dogs being brought on to the school premises (other than guide/assistance dogs)
- Identifying or posting images/videos of children at the school other than your own.
- Breaking school security procedures e.g. talking to children through the school fence.

At our school, we take our safeguarding responsibilities seriously and will deal with any reported incidents appropriately in line with the actions outlined above.

Should any of the above behaviour occur on school premises the school may feel it is necessary to contact the appropriate authorities if necessary or even ban the offending adult from entering the school grounds.

It is important for parents and carers to make sure any persons collecting their children are aware of this policy.

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