



Clophill St. Mary's CofE Lower School No Smoking (including e-cigarettes) Policy

Rationale:

- Smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death and ill-health in our society
- Passive smoking – breathing other people's tobacco smoke – is also potentially fatal. It has been shown to cause lung cancer as well as many other illnesses in non-smokers
- Smoking is a health and safety issue for all who use the school
- Everyone has the right to breathe clean air, and non-smokers are in the majority
- Schools have a major role to play in working towards non-smoking being seen as the norm in society
- Children need to receive consistent messages and require non-smoking role models within the school

Clophill St. Mary's CofE Lower School complies with legislation on No Smoking and regards itself as a health promoting school. This no smoking policy aims to guarantee a healthy working and learning environment for all the school users by minimising the risk of passive smoking and promoting non-smoking as the norm.

Restrictions on smoking:

Smoking is not allowed on the school premises (buildings or playgrounds).

All areas where pupils are present, or to which they have access, are no-smoking areas at all times. This includes classrooms, halls, corridors and offices.

The no smoking policy applies to all visitors to the school, for example, parents, suppliers, visiting speakers, supply or temporary staff and maintenance contractors. The following arrangements have been made for informing visitors of the policy's existence.

- Clearly worded signs are sited to announce the policy
- Staff members will inform visitors of the policy when necessary
- Parents will be informed through the newsletter

Implementing and monitoring:

The policy will be reviewed annually to ensure that it continues to meet the general principle.

Other policy references

Values Policy

Health and Safety Policy

Drug Education Policy