



'Growing Together to Succeed'

Parent Behaviour Policy

September 2026

Status: Recommended

Frequency of review: Bi-annual

Date of this review: September 2026

Date of next review: September 2028

Rationale:

At Ryedene Primary and Nursery 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 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 for learning policy).

This policy aims to help the school work 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 (such as grandparents or child-minders)

Aims:

- That all members of the school community treat each other with respect.

Expectation:

We expect parents, carers and visitors to:

- Respect the ethos, vision and values of our 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

Behaviour that will not be tolerated:

- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with any of the school's normal operation or activities anywhere on the school premises.
- Swearing, or using offensive language.
- Displaying a temper, or shouting at members of staff, pupils or other parents, either in person or over the telephone.
- Threatening in any way, a member of staff, visitor, fellow parent/carers or child.
- Any aggressive behaviour (including verbally or in writing) towards another child or adult
- Damaging or destroying school property.
- 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 pupils/parents/staff/governors 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.
- Smoking, taking illegal drugs or the consumption of alcohol on school premises.
- Dogs being brought on to the school premises. (other than guide dogs)

Breaching the Policy:

If the school suspects, or becomes aware, that a parent has breached this policy, 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:

- Invite the parent into school to meet with a senior member of staff or the headteacher
- Issue a warning letter
- Contact the appropriate authorities e.g. the police. This will include any or all cases of threats or violence and actual violence to any child, staff or governor in the school. This will also include anything that could be seen as a sign of harassment of any member of the school community, such as any form of insulting social media post or any form of social media cyber bullying
- Contact the trust's legal team regarding further action (in cases of conduct that may be libellous or slanderous)
- Ban the parent from the school site. School Personnel is not responsible for organising arrangement for children in the above circumstances. Parents will need to provide alternative arrangements for bringing children into school and collecting them at the end of the day.

The school will always respond to an incident in a proportional way. The final decision for how to respond to breaches of this policy rests with the headteacher. The headteacher will consult the chair of governors before banning a parent from the school site. Please note - school premises are private property and parents have been granted permission from the school to be on school premises. It is also an offence under section 547 of the Education Act 1997 for any person (including a parent) to cause a nuisance or disturbance on school premises.

Parents have the right of appeal by writing to the Chair of Governors within ten days of permission to enter the school premises being withdrawn

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