## Ryhope Infant School Academy Parent Code of Conduct



Educating children is a process that involves a strong partnership between parents, class teachers and the school community. For these reasons we understand the importance of good working relationships and we continue to welcome and encourage parents/carers to participate fully in the life of our school. This is so we can make sure that all children who attend Ryhope Infant School Academy are able to show concern and become aware of their influence and actions on others, where all members can learn and be valued as individuals.

We expect parents, carers and visitors to:

- Understand that both staff and parents need to work together for the benefit of their children.
- Demonstrate that all members of the school community should be treated with respect and therefore set a good example in their own speech and behaviour.
- Seek to clarify a child's version of events with the school's view in order to bring about a peaceful solution to any issue.
- Approach the school to help resolve any issues of concern.

In order to support a peaceful and safe school environment, the school will not tolerate parents, carers and visitors exhibiting the following:

- Defamation of either the good reputation of the school or any member of school staff on 'Facebook' or other social media sites.
- Disruptive behaviour which interferes or threatens to interfere with the operation of any area of the school, including the school yard, school grounds and external visit venues.
- Using loud/or offensive language, swearing, cursing, using profane language or displaying temper.
- Threatening to do actual bodily harm to a member of school staff, visitor, fellow parent/carer or child.
- Damaging or destroying school property.
- Abusive or threatening emails or text/voicemail/phone messages or other written communication platforms to school staff, parents or pupils.
- Using physical aggression towards another adult or child. This includes physical punishment against your own child on school premises.
- Approaching someone else's child in order to discuss or chastise them because of the actions 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.
- Bringing animals on to the school premises.

Should any of the above behaviour occur, the school may feel it is necessary to contact the appropriate authorities and seek legal advice, and if necessary, ban the offending adult from entering the school grounds.

We trust that parents and carers will assist our school with the implementation of this policy and we thank you for your continuing support of the school.

