



Helen Gibson Nursery School East Boldon Infant School East Boldon Junior School

Parent, Carer and Visitor Code of Conduct

At Helen Gibson Nursery School/East Boldon Infant School/East Boldon Junior School we are very fortunate to have supportive and friendly parents. Our parents recognise that educating children is a process that involves partnership between home and school and understand the importance of a good working relationship to equip children with the necessary skills for adult hood. For these reasons we welcome and encourage parents/carers to participate fully in the life of our schools.

The purpose of this policy is to provide a reminder to all parents and visitors to our schools about expected conduct so that we can work together to ensure a safe and positive school environment for our children.

Respect and concern for others and their rights

To truly create the best outcomes for children requires the relationship between home and school to be based on the principles of care, integrity, trust and mutual respect. The maintenance of this relationship is important to ensure that a child or children are safe and not open to undue distress and anxiety.

Parents, carers and visitors are reminded:

- To respect the caring ethos and values of the school
- That both teachers and parents need to work together for the benefit of the children.
- Approaching school staff for help to resolve an issue is done in an appropriate manner
- All members of the school community are treated with respect using appropriate language and behaviour.

- To reinforce the school policy on behaviour
- To respect the learning environment appropriately
- To park with consideration and respect for others when delivering and collecting children from school.

Use of Social Media

Social media websites provide a means of communication between schools and parents. However East Boldon Schools consider the inappropriate use of social media websites as unacceptable and not in the best interests of the children or the whole school community. Any concerns you may have must be made through the appropriate channels by speaking to the class teacher, the Head teacher or the Chair of Governors, so they can be dealt with fairly, appropriately and effectively for all concerned.

In the event that a parent/carer of a child at our schools is found to be posting libellous or defamatory comments on Facebook or other social network sites, they will be reported to the appropriate 'report abuse' section of the network site. All social network sites have clear rules about the content which can be posted on the site and they provide robust mechanisms to report a contact or activity which breaches this. The schools will also expect that such comments are removed immediately.

We take very seriously the use of social networks to publicly humiliate another by inappropriate social network entry. The Schools will also consider the appropriate legal options to deal with any such misuse on social networking or other sites.

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