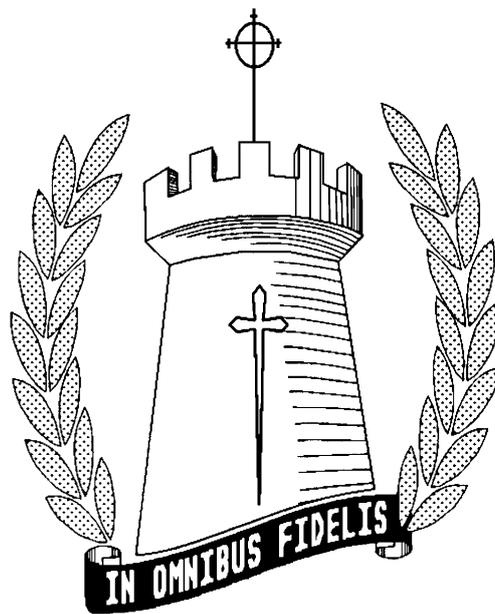


ST. DAMIAN'S RC SCIENCE COLLEGE



No Smoking Policy

Approved by Governors:	November 2016
Date to be reviewed:	Annually

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Introduction

We are committed to achieving the five outcomes for children as stated in Every Child Matters. When considering the use of tobacco on our premises the 'Be Healthy' outcome is paramount. In our community drug policy, we state a commitment to developing an effective 'No Smoking' policy.

Aims of the Policy

The policy seeks to:

- To comply with Health & Safety Legislation and Employment Law
- To protect the students, staff and members of the community from exposure to second hand smoke
- Raise awareness of the dangers associated with exposure to tobacco smoke and promote the benefit of a smoke free lifestyle to our students
- Take account of the needs of those who smoke and to support those who wish to stop

Restrictions on Smoking

- Smoking is not permitted in any part of the premises, entrances or grounds at any time, by any person regardless of their status or business with the school.
- Because of our commitment to the well-being of children and the wider health of the community, this No Smoking Policy extends to the use of our building outside school hours. This will be agreed beforehand with those who hire our premises {see page 2}.

Visitors

All visitors, contractors and deliverers are required to abide by the no smoking policy. Staff members are expected to remind parents and visitors of the no smoking policy. However, they are not expected to enter into any confrontation which may put their personal safety at risk.

Vehicles

Smoking is not permitted in vehicles being used on school business, including taxis and school buses. We will offer support to young people wishing to stop smoking through one to one support about the effects of smoking and refer to school nurse for support. We will also consult with professional agencies when the student is willing to stop and take advice.

Disciplinary Action

- Staff who disregard the policy will be disciplined according to usual disciplinary procedures.
- We will follow our Behaviour Policy when responding to students who disregard the no smoking policy.

Monitoring and reviewing

This policy will be monitored annually and reviewed every two years to ensure it continues to meet the aims.