

# St Clement Danes Primary School



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### **Consultation:**

This policy was originally written in May 2009, in consultation with Governors, all teaching and support staff and representatives from the Westminster Healthy Schools Programme. It is regularly reviewed and updated.

### **Rationale:**

Smoking and passive smoking has been shown to cause cancers, heart and respiratory diseases. There is considerable evidence regarding the impact of smoking behaviours on children.

As smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death and ill health in our society, as a school we believe it is our responsibility to promote a no smoking policy and to give everyone the right to breathe smoke-free air and to avoid the dangers of passive smoke. Children need to receive consistent messages and require non-smoking role models if they are to recognise no smoking as the norm.

St. Clement Danes CE Primary School aims to provide a safe working and learning environment for both pupils and staff and to this end the whole school supports a no smoking policy which reinforces the messages within the PSHCE curriculum and the health initiatives in the wider community.

### **Policy Links:**

This policy has obvious links with the Health and Safety Policy and the PSHCE Policy.

### **Aims and Objectives:**

1. To provide a no smoking environment both within the school building and grounds that protects the health of the whole school community and visitors to the school
2. To promote a healthy lifestyle and enable pupils to make responsible healthy choices in relation to smoking. This is reflected within the school's PSHCE and science curriculum and by providing excellent role models for all children and adults within the school
3. To set the example of a health promoting smoke-free environment to the whole school and wider community in line with government guidance and local priorities to reduce the prevalence of smoking and the associated risks.

### **Educational Approach:**

Issues related to smoking, passive smoke and the associated risks are covered within the curriculum. The approaches taken are detailed in the PSHCE Policy and the Science Policy and ought to be referred to as necessary.

## **The Smoke-Free Environment:**

The following statements apply to all staff, pupils and visitors to the school e.g. parents, visiting suppliers, temporary staff, contractors and governors.

1. Smoking is not permitted in any part of the school site at any time. This includes all school buildings and the outside areas of the school including playgrounds
2. Smoking by anyone on a school visit or trip is not permitted
3. Smoking at the entrances and exits to the school site will be strongly discouraged

## **Dissemination and Implementation:**

The contents of this policy are made explicit to all staff and visitors.

The day to day implementation of this policy is the responsibility of the whole school community and everybody has a duty to respond to breaches of the policy. Ultimately the Headteacher will be responsible for dealing with reported incidents of breaches to this policy and has at her disposal a range of responses in managing such incidents.

People wishing to stop smoking will be signposted to the NHS Stop Smoking Services in their Local Area. <http://smokefree.nhs.uk/what-suits-me/local-nhs-services/findlocal-nhs-services/> or telephone to speak to smokefree advisers on 0800 022 4 332.

## **Monitoring and Review:**

The Headteacher and the governing body are responsible for ensuring that this Policy is reviewed on a three-yearly basis.

**Reviewed by:** Patricia Coxhead

**Last Review Date:** February 2021

**Next Review Date:** February 2024