

CODE FOR LIFE

LIVE a good life and care for life.

- Be honest, don't cover up the truth.
- Look after our school environment.
- Do not waste or damage anything.

LOVE your neighbour as yourself.

- Treat all staff members, others and ourselves with respect
- Show good manners at all times.
- Welcome visitors and stand back for adults.

LAUGH, spread good news and play fair.

- Do not fight, bully or hurt anyone.
- Do not use bad language or shout at anyone.
- Do not use any gestures that cause upset.

LEARN, use your skills and talents and celebrate.

- Work hard and make best use of time in school. Use and practise your skills to get really good at what you do.
- Listen and obey all staff.
- Move quietly and slowly inside our school. We do not disturb class work as we move from one place to another.

SCHOOL RULES

- We enter and leave the school building at all times, in an orderly fashion, including when walking to swimming or any school activity.
- We stop playing on the yard when the bell rings, slow down and move carefully to our class lines.
- We do not enter the school building in the morning or during/after play-time without getting permission from the staff, supervising the yard. We do not take equipment/balls used for PE, outside.
- We look after all school equipment, returning it to where it is stored when we are finished with it.
- We do not bring any items or solvents to school that could cause harm to ourselves or others.
- We get off our bikes/scooters at the school gate and walk with them to where we park them safely.
- We do not climb on the school railings or swing out of the goal posts.
- We do not go into 'NO GO' areas as we cannot be seen by adults if we do.
- We do not bring a Mobile phone to school because the school has a phone which they can use to contact our parents. In exceptional circumstances a mobile phone may be handed to the teacher with a note from a parent/guardian explaining why it is needed in school.
- We respect the school building and property and do not damage it.

On wet days:

- We use scissors/compasses/ tin-whistles only when the teacher is in the classroom.
- We stay in our classrooms unless going to the toilet.

Promoting HYGIENE

- We wear our PE uniform on PE days and our full school uniform on other days.
- Hair long enough to be tied back must be tied back.
- We do not wear make-up as we are beautiful just the way we are.
- We do not eat chewing gum.
- We do not use sprays of any kind in the pool or in school.
- We wash our hands after visiting the bathroom.
- We cover our mouths when coughing and use tissues when we need them.

SANCTIONS

Staff is cognisant that sanctions are applied not to humiliate the child but to help the child to reflect, change and improve his or her behaviour patterns. He/she may be asked to write an account of what he/she has done, answering ❖ What happened? ❖ How has this event (what I have done) affected me? ❖ Who else has been affected by what I did? ❖ How have they been affected? ❖ What would I do differently next time in the same situation?

Junior Infants - 2nd classes: Time to calm down/reflect (not seclusion) according to age e.g. 5 year old/ up to 5 mins

3rd - 6th classes:

Minor misdemeanor/s not listed on a WHITE CARD: Time to calm down according to age. On the yard this can be given by teacher/SNA.

Minor misdemeanour/s as listed on a WHITE CARD given by teacher: Time to reflect according to age and Principal/DP signs the card.

- Repeated interruption of class
- Being dishonest, disobedient, discourteous (name calling/shouting and/or using bad language)
- Not completing homework without good reason
- Bringing a mobile phone into school without permission

Serious misdemeanour as listed on a YELLOW CARD:

Time in a different classroom for up to 1 day.

The Principal/DP rings the parent.

- Three white cards issued/ the fourth is a yellow
- Stealing
- Intent to hurt or hurting others/ being dishonest
- Interfering with others' property
- Back answering a teacher or staff member
- Leaving school premises during the day without permission
- Selling goods in school without permission
- Using or writing unacceptable language or comments using any media including internet/mobile phone

Major misdemeanour as listed on a RED CARD:

Time in a different classroom for up to 3 days.

The Principal/DP rings the parent.

- Repeated serious misdemeanours
- Bringing dangerous items or solvents to school
- Using or writing unacceptable language or comments using any media including internet/ mobile phone (Red or yellow card will be decided)
- Intentionally, deliberately vandalising school property
- Inappropriate sexual language, gesturing and/or behaviour (red or yellow card will be decided)
- Threatening or violent behaviour towards any person

- Defacing school property
- Inappropriate sexual language, gesturing, and/ or behaviour



FOOTBALL CONTRACT

LIVE: I will do my best, and accept the rules.

LOVE: I will look after my body and mind and look out for my neighbour.

LAUGH: I will be a good sport, play fair and I won't hurt anyone.

LEARN: I will listen. I will improve my skills. I won't blame anyone for making a mistake.

If I break these rules I will not be allowed to play for a period of time.

If you would like to play football and agree with the football rules, please sign your name below:
(If you do not sign you will not be allowed to play!)

Name: _____

Class teacher: _____