

Pupil code of conduct

The student Code of Conduct was agreed upon after discussions which included students, parents, school staff and Trustees. It is based on a series of easy-to-learn expectations that apply to all students in the school community.

Uniform and Appearance

- STUDENTS ARE REQUIRED TO BE NEAT AND TIDY AT ALL TIMES – New uniform expectations must be adhered to.
- Blazers must be worn around school.
- Coats should be normal outdoor coats with no large markings. Coats should be blue or black only. These should not be worn in the school building.
- Shoes must be plain black with no markings or brandings on.
- Students are not allowed any jewellery. Girls may wear a pair of small ear studs.
- No hats, scarves or gloves are to be worn within the school building or grounds.
- No hoodies should be worn in school.
- Cosmetics should be kept to a minimum.

Behaviour in classrooms, corridors and School grounds

- Move calmly and quietly around the school walking on the left hand side of corridors, stairs and steps.
- Never push or shove your way through. Always stand aside for a member of staff or visitor
- Keep the school clean and tidy putting litter in bins and keeping walls and furniture unmarked. Students will not deliberately damage the school property. Chewing gum is forbidden.
- Students should line up quietly outside classrooms until a teacher arrives.
- You should ensure that you have everything with you that you need for each lesson.
- You should take great care of your own and other people's property. You should not touch other people's belongings unless you have their permission.
- You should not engage in any abusive, threatening or bullying behaviour towards any other students or staff at the school. This includes physical and verbal abuse.
- Smoking / vaping is forbidden in school and on the way to and from school.
- You should not bring any sharp objects e.g. knives or screwdrivers into school under any circumstances.
- You must not be in the possession of or consume alcohol or any other narcotic substance in school.
- Mobile phones or any other electronic devices (MP3 player, iPods etc) are not to be used or seen on the school premises unless with permission from a member of staff. These items will be confiscated and sent to the school office. The school will not take responsibility for their loss or theft.
- We strongly recommend that any items of value, or large amounts of money should not be brought into school. If parents wish their children to carry mobile phones or any of the above for use on their journeys to and from school, they do so at their own risk.
- Only students with notes in their planners are allowed to use the toilet during lessons.
- For your own safety and that of others do not gather around any incident. Report what is happening or what you have seen to a member of staff.

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Lunchtime and Breaks

- No students are allowed off site during morning break or lunchtime.
- No students should be in the areas deemed to be out of bounds e.g. Side of the Art Block or Lower School Grounds.
- Students should make their way to form or classrooms on the sound of the bell.
- No bags or coats should be left in the crush hall or taken into the canteen.
- Students should not congregate around the locker areas.
- In the event of a wet break students will be allocated an area and must remain in that area, unless told otherwise by a member of staff.
- Students are allowed to drink water in a clear bottle, fizzy drinks are not allowed. Students must not drink in rooms where water poses a health and safety risk.
- Students should eat and drink in the school canteen. No food should be taken from the canteen.

General

- School begins promptly at 8.25am. You should arrive at school on time. If you arrive late you must register at the 'late gate' up to 8.50am or at reception after 8.50am.
- You are expected to be punctual to all lessons.
- You must not leave the school site without a letter from a parent/guardian and permission from a senior member of staff. You must always sign out at reception when leaving the premises during the school day.
- If you are absent for any reason you should bring an explanatory note from your parent/guardian and give this to your Form Tutor on the day you return.
- If you are unable to do PE you must bring a note from your parent/guardian or a doctor.
- If you are unwell during the school day you should go to the school medical room. If you need to go home the school will contact home to make the necessary arrangements.

Serious misconduct

The following actions are serious breaches of discipline and strictly forbidden. Students found to be indulging in any of these activities will face a fixed term or permanent exclusion.

Students must not:

- Bully or intimidate other members of the school community;
- Create a threat of abuse to staff, students or any member of the St. George's community;
- Verbally abuse staff or students;
- Physically abuse staff or students;
- Steal or cause deliberate damage;
- Smoke / vape or have cigarettes / e-cigarettes / lighters in their possession;
- Deal or be in possession of drugs;
- Supply, be in possession of, carry, or distribute any weapon, real or imitation.