



No Smoking Policy

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| School Responsibility | Mr L Gilhooly / Miss Dowd |
| Headteacher | Mr L Gilhooly |
| Governor | Mrs Charlotte Monkman |
| Adopted | February 2023 |
| Review | February 2026 |

ETHOS STATEMENT

The School was founded by and is part of the Catholic Church. The School is to be conducted as a Catholic School in accordance with the canon law and teachings of the Catholic Church and in accordance with the Trust Deed of the Diocese of Leeds in particular:

1. Religious education is to be in accordance with the teachings, doctrines, discipline and general and particular norms of the Catholic Church;
2. Religious worship is to be in accordance with the teachings, doctrines, discipline and liturgical norms of the Catholic Church;

And at all times the school is to serve as witness to the Catholic faith in our Lord Jesus Christ.

MISSION STATEMENT

St Joseph is our patron saint and he inspires and guides us in our school mission:

- *Each one of us is part of God's family and we are all special*
- As God's children and family we love one another, pray together, play together and walk hand in hand with God
- God is our teacher and we are his gifts. He helps us learn together, work hard and do our best to make our world a better place
 - With fun, laughter and friendship we celebrate God's love
 - We respect and care for everyone and for God's wonderful world

The No Smoking Policy is based on the Catholic ethos of the school in which all members of the community are respected and valued.

STATEMENT OF INTENT

Aims and objectives

St Joseph's Catholic Primary School has developed this policy to protect all employees, children and visitors from secondhand smoke and to assist compliance with the Health Act 2006.

Exposure to secondhand smoke increases the risk of lung cancer, heart disease and other serious illnesses. Ventilation and separating smokers and non-smokers within the same airspace does not completely stop potentially dangerous exposure.

Policy

It is the policy of St Joseph's Catholic Primary School, that all our workplaces are smoke free and all employees and children have a right to work in a smoke free environment. This policy prohibits smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes or other tobacco products on the school site. Any references to smoking in this policy include all of the above, including 'vaping'. This policy applies to all employees, contractors, and visitors.

Implementation

Overall responsibility for the policy, and implementation and review rest with the Head teacher. However, all staff are obliged to adhere to, and support the implementation of the policy. The Head Teacher shall inform all existing employees of the policy and their role in implementation and monitoring of the policy. All new members of staff will be given a copy of this policy on their recruitment/induction. Appropriate 'No-Smoking' signs will be clearly displayed at entrances and within the premises.

Non-Compliance

Local disciplinary procedures will be followed if a member of staff does not comply with this policy. Those who do not comply with the smoke free law may also be liable to a fixed penalty fine and possible criminal prosecution.

Help to Stop Smoking

The NHS offers a range of FREE services to help smokers give up. These can be accessed at *Visit gosmokefree.co.uk*, by calling the *NHS Smoking Helpline* on 0800 169 0 169 or texting '*GIVE UP*' and your *full postcode to 88088* to find your local NHS Stop Smoking Service.

Monitoring

The effectiveness of this policy will be monitored in line with the school's monitoring and reviewing of school policy procedures.

Any questions regarding this policy should be directed to Miss L Dowd who is the school's lead teacher on this issue.

Notes:

1. This policy has been agreed by school staff and ratified by the Governing Body of the School.

2. Parents are entitled to view this document

3. This policy is subject to further development alongside other school policies.