

Cefn Glas Infants School

"Let's Learn Together"



Smoke Free Premises Policy

March 2023

UNCRC Article 27
'You have the right to a good standard of living'



Date	Review Date	Reviewed by the Headteacher	Signed by Chair of Governors
March 2023	March 2025	Mrs. S. Johns <i>S. Johns</i>	Mr. G. Clifford <i>G. Clifford</i>

Rationale:

Smoking and second-hand smoking has been shown to cause cancers, heart and respiratory diseases. There is considerable evidence regarding the impact of smoking on behaviours of 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 clean air and to avoid the dangers of second-hand smoke. Children need to receive consistent messages and require non-smoking role models if they are to recognise no smoking as the norm.

Cefn Glas Infants aims to provide a safe working and learning environment for both pupils and staff. The whole school supports a no smoking policy which reinforces the messages within the Health and Well-being Aole within the Curriculum for Wales 2022, within the Four Purpose 'Healthy, Confident Individuals' and health initiatives in the wider community.

Policy Links:

This policy has obvious links with the Health and Safety Policy, the Health and Well-being Aole within Curriculum for Wales and it is also part of standard 1.5 of the NHSS minimum requirements.

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 provide clear signage in and around the school promoting a smoke free environment.
3. To promote a healthy lifestyle and enable pupils to make responsible healthy choices in relation to smoking. This is reflected within the school's curriculum coverage and by providing excellent role models for all children and adults within the school.
4. 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, second-hand smoke and the associated risks are covered within the curriculum. Pupils are made aware of the hazards of smoking through informal discussions and classroom related activities around the annual no smoking day.

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, classroom entrances or car parks.
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.
4. A no smoking statement will be included in the school's prospectus and staff handbook.
5. The relevant signage is displayed around school.
6. Large banners displayed in both entrances to the school
7. The smoking of e-cigarettes is also not permitted in any of the above situations.

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 Head Teacher will be responsible for dealing with reported incidents of breaches to this policy and has at their disposal a range of responses in managing such incidents. Staff/parents/carers wishing to stop smoking will be signposted to their local GP service or the school nurse.

Monitoring and Review:

The Head Teacher and the governing body are responsible for ensuring that this policy is reviewed by the whole school community on a two-yearly basis.