



Substance Misuse Policy - Pupils

Dyddiad Cymeradwyo a Dyddiad Adolygu
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See Policy Review Timetable*

Here's our Substance Misuse Policy.

Our definition of substances includes: medicines, tobacco (including e cigarettes), alcohol, new and emerging drugs (sometimes called legal highs) solvents, steroids and illegal drugs. Our policy explains what we do about drugs to encourage everyone in our school to keep themselves safe and healthy

We promise to:

- Give our students information about drugs – the good things and the bad things.
- Take action to keep everyone in our school healthy and safe (e.g. by making sure no one smokes on the school site and that any medicines that are brought to school are stored safely)
- Invite outside agencies with particular expertise such as the Police Liaison Officer, Barnardo's to work with our students.

Our students will have a chance to learn:

- Skills to look after themselves and keep themselves safe
- Skills to make informed decisions about smoking, alcohol and drugs
- How different drugs affect health and behaviour
- What to do if people try and persuade them to do something they don't want to do
- How to get help if they are worried about somebody's behaviour
- About the law and drugs and alcohol and how the school will respond to incidents
- Alternative ways to relax and feel good and relaxed which don't involve using drugs

Everyone will know we are a caring school because:

- We will ensure no one smokes, or uses or supplies drugs or alcohol on the premises
- The only drugs we will allow in schools are medicines and we will make sure medicines are stored safely
- We will investigate the circumstances if anyone breaks the rules and will ensure that students are supported as well as putting sanctions in place
- We will ensure that students know who can help them if they are worried about their own or someone else's drug use

We will work with the following people to support us:

- Parents
- Our police liaison officer,
- Barnardo's
- and other people who can help us with any specific issues

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Signed:

School council chairperson.....

School council secretary.....

