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No Smoking Policy

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The National Smoking Legislation (premises and enforcement) that came into effect on 1st July 2007makes it illegal to smoke in all public enclosed or substantially enclosed area and workplaces. At All Saints Catholic College as an accredited member of Healthy Schools London, we agree that all our staff and pupils have the right to work and learn in a smoke free environment. This policy applies to all employees, visitors, contractors, parents, carers and pupils on school premises.

Throughout this policy the term 'smoking' refers to cigarettes, cigars, pipes, vapes and e-cigarettes.

Restrictions on Smoking

Smoking is prohibited in the buildings and on the premises of All Saints Catholic College. This includes all vehicles parked on the school premises. Smoking is also not allowed at or near the school entrances and exits where adults are visible to pupils, parents/carers and visitors. Employees are only permitted to leave the school premises for the purpose of smoking during their break and lunchtime. The member of staff must sign out and back in at Reception. Failure to return at the designated time to resume duties will result in disciplinary procedures.

This policy is intended to benefit all pupils, parents/carers, employees and visitors. Overall responsibility for ensuring the policy is implemented, maintained and reviewed rests with the Board of Governors, with day to day delegation into the Headteacher who will ensure that:

- All staff, pupils, parents/carers and visitors have access to the No Smoking Policy which is located on the school's website.
- All new personnel will be informed of the policy during recruitment and induction.
- Clearly worded signs are located inside the school buildings and on the premises.
- Staff members will inform visitors and contractors of the policy when necessary.

The following measures will be taken if the policy is not adhered to:

- The school's disciplinary procedures will be followed if a member of staff does not comply with this policy.
- Staff, parents/carers and visitors who do not comply with the smoke free law may be liable to a fixed penalty fine and possible criminal prosecution as part of the Health Act 2006.
- Pupils who smoke in the school premises or in uniform, will be dealt with through the school's behaviour policy with the appropriate sanctions.

The school in partnership with the National Health Service will offer a range of services to help smokers give up. It is recognised that smoking, including passive smoking, is highly detrimental to health.

You can find extra information and guidance at:

- https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/quit-smoking/
- By calling NHS smoking Helpline on 0300 123 1044
- By downloading the app here: <u>Quit smoking Better Health NHS (www.nhs.uk)</u>
- Alternatively, you can find your local NHS stop smoking service here <u>Find Your Local Stop Smoking Service (LSSS)</u> <u>Better Health</u> <u>NHS (www.nhs.uk)</u>

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