

St Thomas' C E School.

Policy on the use of inappropriate language in School.

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This policy outlines the use of inappropriate language in school and the consequences of it.

Rationale

At St Thomas' School we respect one another and listen to one another. As a Christian school we follow the Christian values of kindness and respect to all who belong to our school community and beyond. We as a staff endeavour to educate the children socially and morally enabling them to become respectful, honest, pleasant and well rounded citizens. This policy has been written to uphold this rationale and curtail incidences of inappropriate language that can be deemed to be disrespectful and insulting towards others.

Preventing inappropriate language

Assemblies, PHSE sessions, Class discussions take place at regular intervals whereby children can reflect on how they address each other and their use of words.

In the instance of inappropriate language being used.

- The use of inappropriate language (swearing, cursing, bad words, rude suggestions) is strictly prohibited within the school building and school playground by all children, teachers, parents, carers and members of the public.
- If a parent or carer or member of the public is heard swearing in and around the school they will be told quite clearly that the policy of the school is for no inappropriate language on site. If it persists they will be asked to leave the premises.
- If a child is heard swearing or using any form of inappropriate language they will be taken aside and asked to stop. Their parent will be informed by the class teacher either verbally or by email if the use of inappropriate language persists. The parent will be expected to support the staff and the policy through dealing with the inappropriate language as they see fit.

- Persistent swearing and use of inappropriate language may need the intervention of outside agencies to give suggested strategies on how to support the child and family. This stage is very rare. This stage will involve parents, carers, child and Headteacher in dialogue and the formulation of an action plan.

We take all instances of use of inappropriate language very seriously and each case will be treated individually and confidentially.

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Headteacher.

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