

ROCKBORO PRIMARY SCHOOL CODE OF BEHAVIOUR



NATURE AND PURPOSE OF GOOD DISCIPLINE:

- The perception of what constitutes good discipline varies from individual to individual.
- It is generally agreed that in a classroom and in a school where good discipline prevails, the teaching and learning processes lead to a satisfactory level of achievement without undue strain being placed on either teacher or pupils.
- For a good system to succeed, a structured learning environment must be created which enables learning activities to proceed smoothly. The function of discipline in schools is to ensure that the structured learning environment is not disrupted.
- The constitutional rights of all children to an education need to be protected from disruptive behaviour and general indiscipline.
- The purpose of a code of discipline is two-fold:
 1. To protect the constitutional rights of all children to an education
 2. To encourage a reformed attitude towards indiscipline in the disruptive pupil.

THE ROLE OF PARENTS

1. It is the duty of parents and guardians to present their children to school in a manner conducive to learning (i.e., well nourished, clean, alert and well behaved).
2. Parents and guardians are expected to familiarize themselves with the school's policy document in relation to discipline.
3. Parents and guardians should co-operate with the school with regard to the implementation of its policy on discipline. We expect parents to accept the decision of the school with regard to discipline matters.
4. Parents and guardians should communicate regularly with the school about factors likely to affect the behaviour of their children in school.
5. If parents and guardians have a problem, they must go through the correct procedures i.e.
 - Report to the class teacher promptly.
 - Report to the Principal if further help is needed.

OUR SCHOOL RULES

1. Pupils should be ready to begin formal classes at 8.45am each morning.
2. School doors will open at 8.30am.
3. Pupils should always wear full school uniform. Neat appearance is expected at all times. All clothes including sportswear must be clearly labelled. Extreme hairstyles, bleached,

tinted or shaved heads are not allowed. Long hair should be tied back in the interest of safety and hygiene. The school reserves the right to determine acceptable styles of dress and grooming.

4. Pupils must remain within the school grounds during the school day and are not permitted to leave unless a written request is received from parents/ guardian.
5. Pupils should walk quietly from one area to another within the school.
6. Pupils should be respectful towards others, and we appreciate if pupils show courtesy to adults by standing back and allowing them to walk through doorways before them.
7. Weather permitting, pupils go outdoors during break times unless a parent has requested in writing that the pupil must stay indoors. Pupils must ask for permission from a supervising adult to re-enter the school building during breaks.
8. When breaks are indoors due to bad weather, we ask children to remain seated while they are eating and drinking.
9. We expect our pupils to show respect for the property of the school and personal property of others in the school. Parents will be responsible for the replacement of any damaged property.
10. When the final bell rings at the end of school at 2.55pm pupils should leave the classroom promptly and go immediately to wherever the after-school activity is taking place.
11. **Pupils are not permitted to play around the school grounds including the green field after school.** Pupils must wait on the path in front of the school for their parents to arrive.
12. Pupils are expected to show respect, courtesy, consideration, and tolerance to one another to teaching staff and to visitors.
13. When pupils are on outings and school tours, we expect that they behave in a manner representative of our school core values and remember they are ambassadors for Rockboro school.
14. Pupils are forbidden to use bad language. Bullying and fighting in the classroom and in the playground are also forbidden.
15. We encourage our pupils to protect the environment and they are required to bring home their lunch wrappings for recycling. School grounds should be kept free from litter.
16. In the playground we expect pupils to respond to the bell and come to stand in their class lines promptly and quietly return to class on the second bell.

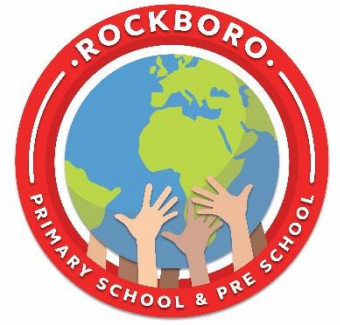
❖ *The code of discipline is subject to regular review and updating in t light of changing circumstance*

**CODE OF BEHAVIOUR AGREEMENT - TO BE SIGNED
BY PARENT / GUARDIAN**

Please detach and return to class teacher.

Enrolment of children at Rockboro School is an acknowledgement by parents / guardians of their acceptance of the code of behaviour.

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I have read and fully understand the Code of Behaviour and the Anti-Bullying Policy of Rockboro School.

(The support and co-operation of parents are essential for the effective implementation and operation of the Code of Behaviour).

Parent / Guardian

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Date.....

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TO BE SIGNED BY THE PUPIL

I understand that I must:

- Try to be honest

- Try to be helpful and kind to others in my school and treat others as I would like to be treated

Try to be considerate of, and respectful to those in my school community

Signed..... **Date**

OUR SCHOOL CORE VALUES

Tolerance	Respect	Kindness
Community	Integrity	Happiness
Teamwork	Creativity	Perseverance