



REACHING OUR POTENTIAL TOGETHER IN CHRIST

ST MARY MAGDALEN'S CHURCH OF
ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

Pupil Code of Conduct

CHRISTIAN VISION STATEMENT

'To live and live splendidly' *John 10:10*
By reaching our potential together in Christ.

We believe that through the teaching of God's word at St Mary Magdalen's Church of England Primary School, we prepare our children for all challenges that lie before them, enabling all our school family to, **'live and live splendidly' *John 10:10*** **'By reaching our potential together in Christ.'** We endeavour to provide a rich soil, enabling our children to flourish socially, morally, and spiritually in a safe environment. We do this by being prayerful and accepting of God's word, following our Christian values where love is central to all we do ***Galatians 5:22-23***. *It is our vision to inspire our children by creating a love of learning throughout our unique curriculum.*

We worship by celebrating our uniqueness in the acceptance and respect all our differences whilst remembering our faith's diversities and spirituality. ***John 13:34***.

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Statement of intent

St Mary Magdalen's CE Primary School, believes that in order to facilitate a suitable environment for education, acceptable behaviour must be displayed in all aspects of school life.

We are committed to:

- Promoting positive behaviour.
- Promoting self-esteem, self-discipline, and positive relationships based on mutual respect.
- Ensuring equality and fairness of treatment for all.
- Encouraging and rewarding good behaviour.
- Challenging and sanctioning unacceptable behaviour.
- Providing a safe environment free from disruption, violence, discrimination, bullying and any form of harassment.
- Encouraging a positive relationship between the school and parents.
- Developing appropriate relationships with our pupils which ensure early intervention is possible.
- A shared approach which involves pupils in the implementation of the school's policy and associated procedures.
- Promoting a culture of praise and encouragement in which all pupils can achieve.

General conduct

Pupils will be expected to:

- Be polite to all members of the school community and to all visitors to the school.
- Promote an inclusive and tolerant environment.
- Report any incidents of bullying or sexual harassment to a member of staff.
- Always be ready to offer help and support to others.
- Move around the school in a quiet and orderly manner.
- Wear the school uniform correctly at all times.
- Accept the school's sanctions in line with the Behaviour Policy.
- Take pride in the school environment and keep it tidy.
- Not bring to school any prohibited items, including drugs, alcohol, cigarettes and knives, in line with the school's **Searching, Screening and Confiscation Policy**.
- Not swear or use offensive language.
- Not engage in gambling or games of chance.
- Show consideration for school property and the property of others.
- Adhere to this code of conduct any time they are representing the school, including when wearing uniform off the premises.

Classroom behaviour

Pupils will always try their best in the classroom and ask for help when needed.

Pupils must not:

- Be disrespectful, argumentative, rude, confrontational or intimidating.
- Lie or answer back to teachers.
- Disrupt a class or make it difficult for others to learn.
- Leave the classroom or school premises without permission.
- Disobey a reasonable request from a teacher.

Attendance and punctuality

All pupils will be expected to arrive at school on time and be present for morning registration. All absences will need to be authorised. Pupils arriving late should report to the school office.

Regarding any pupils who are considered by the school to be persistently absent, regular meetings to discuss school engagement and support will be arranged with the parents to work towards improving attendance.

Pupils will remain on school premises unless they have been granted permission by a member of staff, with



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parental consent. Parent/carer or appropriate adult must be in attendance for a child to be let out of the building.

Illness whilst at school

If pupils are involved in an accident or feel ill during the school day, they must inform a member of staff and attend the School Office or First Aid Station (Breaks and Lunchtime). No pupil may go home without permission from a member of the SLT who will contact the pupil's parents.

If given permission to leave school due to illness or injury, pupils must be signed out at the school office.

Appearance

The following are not to be worn while on the school premises or wearing school uniform outside of the school:

- Jewellery, except ear studs
- Nail varnish
- Make-up

Hair is to be kept clean and tidy. Long hair must be tied back. Hair should be of a natural colour. Unnatural coloured hair or various coloured hair is not allowed.

The school's Uniform Policy is to be followed at all times.

Mobile technology

September 2026:

- Mobile phones are permitted in school
- Parental Consent Form to be completed
- Switched off whilst on school premises including the yard
- Handed into the Main School Office on entry to school and collected at the end of the school day
- Smartwatches will not be permitted. We encourage the provision of analogue or simple digital watches instead.
- Any misuse of mobile phones may result in their confiscation.

From September 2027:

September 2027, our school will be smartphone free for children. That means no smartphones on school grounds – for any year group. This isn't about banning or restricting; it's about creating the kind of space we believe our children thrive in. A place where focus, creativity, friendships, and real connection come first.

- Smartphones will not be allowed on school grounds for any children.
- Independent Travelers: Children who travel to or from school independently may bring a simple, non-smart mobile (sometimes referred to as a 'dumb phone' that only handles calls and texts and has no camera or internet capability), with prior permission. These must be handed to the school office on arrival and collected at the end of the day.



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<https://www.smartphonefreechildhood.org/alternatives>

- Smartwatches will not be permitted. We encourage the provision of analogue or simple digital watches instead.
- Medical & Exceptional Circumstances: If there are exceptional circumstances that require your child to bring a smartphone into school each day—for example, if it is used as a vital medical device—then this policy will not apply. This must be formally agreed upon with the school leadership

Monitoring and review

This code of conduct will be reviewed on an annual basis by the headteacher, and any changes made will be communicated to all pupils and staff at the school.

All pupils will be provided with a copy of this code of conduct when their attendance at the school begins and will be required to familiarise themselves with it. The next scheduled review date of this policy is September 2026.



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