



THE
Lodge AP
— At Sandbach House —

No Smoking/Vaping Site Policy

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The Lodge AP justifiably regards itself as a health-promoting organisation. It recognises that its staff act as role models for students in all aspects of school life, including health promotion. In light of the evidence that smoking and second hand smoke causes damage to health, this policy has been implemented to:

1. Fulfil the government's 2007 'smoke free' legislation
2. Protect the staff, students and visitors from the effects of tobacco smoke
3. Acknowledge the educational role of the organisation in discouraging students from starting to smoke
4. Help smokers quit.

Rationale

- Smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death and ill health in our society.
- Passive smoking – breathing other people's tobacco smoke – is also potentially fatal. It has been shown to cause lung cancer, as well as many other illnesses, in non-smokers. Children are particularly vulnerable to the effects of second hand smoke.
- Breathing in second hand smoke is a health and safety issue for all adults who work at a school.
- Everyone has the right to breathe clean air.
- Schools have a major role to play in working towards non-smoking being seen as the norm in society. The Lodge AP will use assemblies, PSHCE programmes and, where relevant, curricular lessons to illustrate the health dangers of smoking and vaping.
- Students need to receive consistent messages and require non-smoking role models within the school.

'No Smoking/Vaping Policy'

Smoking or Vaping is not allowed anywhere on the premises, which includes buildings and grounds. This applies to all students, staff and visitors at all times.

Communicating the Policy

The following arrangements have been made for informing the people of the policy's existence:

- Staff will be informed of the 'No Smoking/Vaping Policy' at recruitment.
- Clearly worded signs will be sited to inform visitors that the premises are Smoke Free.
- Staff members will inform visitors of the policy when necessary.
- Information will be included on the school website and in relevant documentation to inform prospective parents and carers of the 'No Smoking/Vaping Policy'.