

Pupil Code of Conduct

Pupils at ACS have the right to an education, which offers them every opportunity to attain their full potential. The Principal, teaching and staff support staff are here to create the circumstances to allow this to happen. Parents and the wider community are also a key element in this process.

The Pupil Code of Conduct, indicates expectations of behaviour. Pupils are expected to:

1. Ensure the best possible attendance and punctuality
2. Contribute to a well-ordered learning environment by:
 - working to the best of their ability in lessons and on homework tasks and ensuring that all work is submitted punctually
 - paying attention in class, putting hands up when wanting to say something and avoiding disruptive behaviour in class or around the school
 - being properly equipped and bringing books and items needed for lessons (including PE lessons)
3. Show respect for others by:
 - being polite, courteous, respectful and well-behaved towards fellow pupils, and refraining from pushing/shoving, bullying, fighting, shouting, backbiting, bad language, name-calling or aggressive behaviour
 - being friendly, co-operative, honest, well-mannered towards fellow pupils, teachers, staff and adults and listening to and carrying out instructions
4. Show tolerance towards others and understanding that racism and discrimination are unacceptable
5. Act in a responsible manner by:
 - taking care of your books and other equipment
 - doing nothing to endanger a healthy, safe and secure environment (i.e. vandalism, smoking or drug taking)
 - respecting their own and other people's property and never to steal or borrow someone's things without their permission
 - ensuring forbidden items are not brought to school (including chewing gum and smartphones)
6. Keeping the school buildings and grounds clean and tidy, moving about in a quiet and orderly manner, avoiding areas which are deemed out of bounds and conducting fire drill in silence
7. Promote a positive image of the school by
 - taking a pride in their appearance, being smartly and correctly dressed in full school uniform, for any school activity and when travelling to and from school
 - behaving in a sensible and courteous manner when travelling to and from school
 - being polite and courteous to visitors

Reporting other incidents

You have a responsibility to report incidents of bullying, racism, discrimination, stealing, vandalism and inappropriate behaviour and language to a member of staff because these things are very damaging to the community to which you belong; covering up for others will do much more harm than good. Unpleasant behaviour is often a cry for help and the offender may well need to share their feelings with an adult.

Failure to meet these standards will result in sanctions being applied. Further information about the sanctions applied by the school can be found in our Behaviour Policy.