

GRANGE FIRST SCHOOL
NON-SMOKING POLICY
(ALL SMOKING CONDITIONS ALSO APPLY TO E-CIGARETTES)



Rationale:

Smoking is the single most preventable cause of premature death and ill health in our society. As a health promoting school we must play an active part in health promotion through establishing our school as a non-smoking school, which actively seeks to promote healthy life styles.

Purposes:

- To establish and maintain non-smoking within the boundary of the school grounds.
- To ensure all members of our community realise they have a vital role to play in ensuring we maintain a smoke free environment.
- To help children and adults to make informed decisions about tobacco use and to provide a health education programme of study within the curriculum.
- To minimise the risk of fire.

Guidelines:

Pupils:

1. Will be helped to come to decisions with regard to smoking by understanding the notions of choice and the potential effects of their decision.
2. Will benefit from an anti smoking programme delivered through the schools Health Education Programme.
3. Will specifically address smoking issues within substance use and misuse programme of study.

Adults:

1. Will be aware that this policy applies to them no matter what their rationale for being in school. This will be achieved through the erection of signs, communication via newsletters and the active role of all staff in ensuring that no smoking takes place in our school premises or grounds.
2. Will recognise their responsibilities as role models for children in their care.
3. New members of staff will be notified of this policy as they are recruited.
4. If parents or visitors are seen smoking they should be politely reminded of the policy, or the Headteacher should be informed. Persistent offenders should be brought to the attention of the Headteacher.

Conclusion:

As a health promoting school we seek to ensure that our pupils and parents are as well informed and empowered as possible about the damaging effects of smoking. Opportunities will be provided to review this policy when necessary.