

The School Rules



1. The first rule is the rule of common sense. An action which is contrary to the interests of the School or its members, or which gives a bad impression, breaks the rule of common sense.
2. Care of property, whether belonging to the school or to others, is of the utmost importance. Damage or breakages should be reported at once to a member of staff or Bursary. There must be no 'borrowing' without the owner's permission, in which event the borrower is responsible for safekeeping.
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 - a) No pupil is to leave the school grounds without the Headmaster's permission
 - b) The Drive beyond the ramp is out of bounds.
 - c) The following places are only in bounds with specific permission from a duty member of staff: the Wild Gardens and the Park.
 - d) There should be no playing in the front entrance without permission.
 - e) Pupils may not go to the dormitories during the day without permission
 - f) Pupils require the permission of the duty staff to visit friends outside another year group's Form room.
4. Children may telephone home, from Reception, with permission from their Form Tutor. Boarders have further access to telephones in the boarding areas.
5. The Sports Hall and ICT Room can be used in free time under supervision. Unsupervised access to the internet is not allowed.
6. Waterproof trousers or tracksuits must be worn in the Wild Gardens, for gardening and when playing in the trees. They should also be worn on the Lawns in wet weather. Helmets must be worn for cycling.
7. All pocket money must be handed in by boarders to Houseparents.
8. Behaviour in Form rooms should be such that anyone wishing to work should be able to do so.
9. Pupils are not permitted to write away for items. No buying or selling is allowed without Form Tutor's permission.
10. Possession, in school or on school trips, of knives, alcohol, tobacco products (including electronic cigarettes), matches, lighters, drugs, and other such items (whether illegal or not intended for children aged 13 or under) is strictly forbidden. Chewing gum should never be brought into, nor consumed in, school. Sweets should not be brought into school, unless specific permission has been given by the Head of Phase or Deputy Headmaster.
11. Personal music devices may only be used in Boarding Houses and on trips if permission has been granted by the member of staff in charge.
12. All books and pencil cases must be returned to Form rooms and not left around the school.
13. Under no circumstances should pupils touch or interfere in any way with property or belongings which are not their own.

14. No pupil is permitted to verbally or physically abuse another. Bullying of any sort is forbidden, as are swearing and bad language.
15. Mobile telephones and tablets are not permitted at school. The only exception is for boarders whose devices are lodged with the House staff for charging and safe-keeping and are used at certain permitted times.
16. Laptop computers are not permitted in school. The only exception is for children who require them as part of a Learning Development programme, in which case they must only be used for academic work.
17. **Going out regulations:** Boarders are reminded that it is essential for them to have permission to be out of the school grounds with their parents or anyone else before leaving. **NO CHILD SHOULD BE OUT OF THE SCHOOL GROUNDS WITHOUT PERMISSION.**

Rules could go on for ever, the test is 'Would the Headmaster allow all pupils to do what I am doing now?' If not, stop doing it.