



ANTI-LITTER POLICY

Wentworth school seeks to be a litter free area where pupils, staff and visitors alike respect the school buildings and surrounding environment. We strive to teach respect both for the environment and for the possessions of others through the curriculum and ethos of the school.

Wentworth School will:

- ✓ Use our agreed school sunshine values to encourage pupils to take responsibility for the tidiness of the school grounds
- ✓ Promote respect for the work and belongings of others (through the taught curriculum and through assemblies)

The school is a registered Eco-School and as such litter picks are regularly carried out within the school grounds. The dropping of litter and the deliberate vandalism of buildings on site are acts which are contrary to our ethos. Suitable sanctions are imposed on those that break these rules in line with the school behaviour policy.

Definition of Littering

The crime of littering listed in The Environmental Protection Act (1990) includes school premises. Clause 87 states that anyone littering or causing littering is guilty of an offence and it is the governing bodies' responsibility to ensure that the school land is litter free. Schools can face fines

School Responsibilities

We value the environment, both natural and man made. On the basis of these values, we:

- ✓ accept our responsibility to maintain a sustainable environment for future generations
- ✓ understand the place of human beings within nature
- ✓ understand our responsibilities for other species
- ✓ preserve balance and diversity in nature wherever possible
- ✓ preserve areas of beauty and interest for future generations
- ✓ repair, wherever possible, habitats damaged by human development and other means

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Teaching and learning

Wentworth School provides teaching and learning opportunities which support pupils so they are able to discuss and understand the anti-social effects of littering and vandalism. Pupils are engaged in practical work to foster their understanding of the impact of this anti-social behaviour and the school works to promote litter free communities. The link between caring for and respecting the world we live in is made through all activities.

Pupils found to be littering or vandalising school buildings or grounds will:

- ✓ Be sent to the Headteacher
- ✓ Have their parents informed and asked to discuss the incident
- ✓ face the possibility of exclusion if appropriate

Responsibility

It is the responsibility of the whole school community to work together to keep the school and grounds litter free. The Eco-club or school council will report on the condition of grounds and building fortnightly as part of ongoing Eco-Schools activity.

Effective Date

This policy became effective in summer 2014, will reviewed in summer 2016.