



HOLY CROSS PRIMARY SCHOOL CODE OF CONDUCT FOR LEARNERS:

Preamble

Holy Cross Primary School's mission is to offer a holistic education of the highest quality and relevance, based on Gospel values to allow children from diverse backgrounds to develop their full potential as contributing members of a world society in the 21st century,

Our Mission is based on a set of core values that support the School's ethos

1. A commitment to Christian values
2. Self and mutual respect
3. Reverence to the needs of our society
4. Reverence to the needs and aspirations of our children
5. Fairness
6. Ecological responsibility
7. A commitment to quality
8. A commitment to an ethos of responsibility and accountability by all members of the community
9. A commitment to development of a culture of learning within the context of the mission and core values

All members of the Holy Cross Primary School community should enjoy the following rights:

RIGHTS

1. Mutual respect and dignity
2. Freedom from emotional abuse, verbal abuse or physical abuse
3. Freedom to express opinion on matters concerning the educational process in the appropriate forum
4. The highest quality education possible in a caring, safe and comfortable environment
5. The best possible working conditions for learners, with parental, teaching and management support
6. Freedom from racism and sexism

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. To abide by the Code of Conduct, School Rules and the Ethos of the School
2. To respect their own and each other's property
3. To respect the rights of other learners to an education free of willful disturbance by an individual or group
4. To maintain good communication with each other while respecting confidentiality where applicable
5. To acquire and maintain self-discipline and to encourage it in others
6. To be considerate to others
7. To use socially acceptable language
8. To pay attention to the person who is speaking
9. To respect and maintain school resources
10. To be punctual
 - (a) meeting deadlines
 - (b) getting to school and school activities on time

11. To wear the correct Holy Cross Primary School uniform (clearly marked) and dress neatly in accordance with the dress code of the school
12. To have the correct equipment and clothing (clearly marked) applicable to various school activities
13. To ensure that hairstyles are in accordance with the hair requirements of the school
14. To be adequately prepared for the school day

INTER-PERSONAL CONDUCT

1. Treat everyone with consideration
2. Acknowledge and greet everybody, observing common courtesies
3. Stand, if sitting, when approached by an adult
4. Stand back for adults in doorways
5. Respect everyone's contribution unless in contradiction to the Code of Conduct
6. No bullying (emotional, physical, verbal or cyber)
7. No teasing / taunting
8. No ridiculing
9. No physical assault on members of the school community
10. No form of pornography

COMMUNITY CONDUCT

A. SCHOOL PREMISES

1. Remember to recycle - Do not litter
2. Keep safety in mind when playing - No dangerous games
3. Do not interfere with games that are in progress
4. Ball games only on astro or in the garden and during school hours
5. Staff car park area is out of bounds
6. Permission needs to be granted from the Principal to leave the school premises during official school hours

B. BATHROOMS

1. Keep toilets and basins clean – flush toilets after use
2. Respect privacy of others (only one person per cubicle)
3. No playing or eating in bathrooms
4. Report any damage immediately

C. PROPERTY

1. Treat all school property with care and respect
2. Respect all trees and plants
3. No borrowing without permission
4. No vandalism or graffiti
5. No stealing
6. Be security conscious

D. CORRIDORS AND STAIRWAYS

1. Move quietly and in single file
2. Keep to the left
3. No running or eating
4. Line up quietly outside classroom
5. Stack cases / sport bags and equipment neatly in designated area / outside classrooms
6. No loitering in the school buildings before school, during breaks or after school hours

E. HALL / ASSEMBLY

1. Hall out of bounds without permission from a teacher or member of staff
2. For Assembly:
 - line up quickly and quietly outside hall
 - lead in quietly on instruction from teacher
 - respond appropriately e.g. clapping
 - stand when singing the school and national anthems
 - obey educators and student councillors

F. EXTRA-MURAL ACTIVITIES / SPORT / OUTINGS

1. Honour commitments / be punctual
2. Dress correctly for matches / practices
3. Excuse yourself personally if unable to attend i.e. to coach / organizer
 - Matches: a. written excuse at least a day before if participation not possible
 - b. phone call to school if sick on the day
4. Behave correctly whilst in transit
5. Thank parents, referees, coaches etc. involved
6. Spirit of sportsmanship – thank / congratulate opponents
7. Take responsibility for all equipment used
8. Assist with setting up and packing away of equipment

G. CLASSROOMS

1. Honour classroom rules
2. No disrupting classroom routine
3. No leaving classroom without permission from educator
4. No actions which might negatively impact on the education of other learners
5. Obey all reasonable instructions given by the educator
6. Respect the rights of other learners and educators

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Chairperson: Governing Body

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Principal

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Secretary of the Governing Body