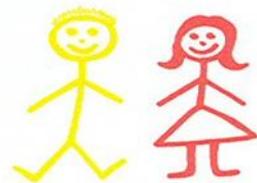


A Parent's Guide to the Code of Behaviour in St Louis Infant School

School Mottos

- 1. Kind hands, kind feet & kind words*
- 2. Ag obair le chéile, ag foghlaim le chéile
Working together, learning together*



St. Louis
Infant School
Rathmines
Founded 1940

Assembly and Dismissal

Children should arrive on time for school and should be collected punctually after school. Junior Infant pupils may be escorted to their rooms by parents/guardians but should also be encouraged to develop independence in the second term by going to their rooms unaccompanied.

Regular late arrivals for school or requests for early departure form bad habits for your child and these impact negatively on the children and teachers. Arriving late or leaving before the end of the school day means that your child misses out on very important subjects in class each day.

Children must remain with their teacher at dismissal time when their class is brought to a designated collection point until their parent/guardian/minder collects them. Children may never leave this designated collection point without adult supervision. Children may only be collected by authorised persons. Arrangements for playdates etc. must be made known to the teacher in advance.

Junior Infants are collected from their classroom door.

Absences/Illness/Medical Appointments

- Absences should be explained by note when the child returns to school.
- Any cases of infectious illness should be notified to the school without delay.
- Absences in excess of 20 school days will be reported to TUSLA – Child and Family Agency.

Uniforms

St Louis Infant School has a designated crested school uniform, which all pupils are required to wear each day. Pupils are expected to wear the full school uniform each day, with school tracksuit worn on PE/Sports Days.

Positive Reinforcement

We believe that the best way to encourage good pupil behaviour is through a system of positive recognition and encouragement. Teachers have reward systems for

- a) Good Behaviour
- b) Improvement in Behaviour
- c) Hard work

Rewards include

- a) Praise for behaving well/working hard
- b) Notes to parents acknowledging good behaviour
- c) Prizes & Stickers
- d) Certificates

Code of Behaviour

Our school motto is 'Kind hands, kind feet & kind words'

The code of behaviour in St Louis Infant school recognises the right of each pupil to an education in as secure an environment as possible. All members of staff will approach the code in a positive way and will use motivation and encouragement to help our pupils. A high standard of behaviour comes from a high level of co-operation among staff and parents.

St Louis Infant School uses the 'Discipline for Learning' model. If pupils fail to follow the classroom/school rules, a set of Behaviour Checks are employed as follows:

Step 1: Your teacher will call your name

Step 2: Your teacher will call your name again to remind you

Step 3: Your initials will be written on the board

Step 4: You have to spend time on the thinking chair

Step 5: You have to go to another room to think about your behaviour

Good behaviour will be praised and rewarded.

Unacceptable behaviour will not be tolerated.

Every effort will be made to assist a child who presents with emotional/behavioural difficulties.

Such pupils will be referred by the class teacher to the Special Education teacher and/or Principal. Parents may be advised to seek professional help and /or child guidance services.

It is a condition of attendance at the school that pupils and parents/guardians accept the rules and regulations specified in this code of behaviour.

The Board of Management reserves the right to add to, or amend, this code from time to time as is deemed necessary.