

Dear Parents,

An Important Message from the Governing Body of St. Mary's R C Primary School

Last academic year there were a number of incidents involving a small number of parents, where they overstepped the boundaries of acceptable conduct whilst on school premises.

These incidents relate to parents approaching children other than their own to reprimand or challenge them. This is clearly unacceptable. These incidents were reported to the Governors of St. Mary's Primary School and as a result the action they have taken is to adopt a Policy for 'Banning of Parents of Pupils at Maintained Schools for Misbehaviour'. This follows the guidance of the Local Authority.

Pupils in school know that teachers and members of staff are able to challenge or question them as this is normal procedure within school, which pupils know and understand. As a school we have a duty of care towards all of our pupils and adults who are employed here, which we take seriously.

If there is any occasion when a parent is unhappy or concerned about the behaviour of any child or adult in school then the correct procedure is to report immediately via the main school office to the Headteacher or any other member of staff to discuss your concerns to enable the situation to be dealt with in an appropriate manner.

If any parent has any concerns or questions about this policy then please do not hesitate to contact Mrs McMillan who will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Currie
Chair of Governors