



## **Sacred Heart Catholic Primary School & Nursery No Smoking Policy 2014**

*“At Sacred Heart School we are a loving Christian family who live and learn happily together and grow in the Catholic faith.”*

### **Introduction**

At Sacred Heart School we believe that smoking is harmful to health and we discourage our children from smoking and to educate them so that they grow up to lead a healthy lifestyle.

### **Aims**

We aim to:

- Help children know and understand the dangers of smoking and the harmful effects that smoking can have on their bodies.
- Provide children with the knowledge and information necessary for them to make responsible choices in relation to smoking.
- Equip children with the social skills to enable them to resist the pressure to smoke, either from their peer group or from society in general.

### **Organisation**

The dangers of smoking arise as an issue in science lessons particularly at KS2 when children learn about the way substances affect their body. Parents may view any of the smoking-related materials that we use in school.

Smoking is prohibited on all school premises. This includes all out of school events whether children present or not and outside areas. Signs are located at the entrances to the school at the front and back of the school building. We do not want to present smoking as acceptable nor do we wish to present adult smokers as role models.

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