

Parent Code of Conduct

Parents are expected to:

- Sign the Enrolment form stating that they have read and accept and will comply with the 'Code of Conduct' upon enrolment.
- Educate themselves as much as possible in the 'Child Side Way' particularly looking at elements of Reggio and Big Picture Education and Louise Porter's Guiding Children's Behaviour, so that they are able to more effectively communicate with Educators and are able to better understand decisions that are made at Child Side that are consistent with these philosophies and approaches.
- Give their full support to the staff and the Child Side School Governing Council in the development of the school.
- Acknowledge that they may not always initially understand decisions made but agree to openly and constructively discuss their thoughts or concerns with Educators first so that misunderstandings do not occur.
- Accept responsibility for their child's progress and work collaboratively with educators by dealing promptly with matters of concern and respecting the professional advice given by educators in regard to their child.
- Follow the school's policies, procedures and guidelines.
- Respect the often difficult decisions that sometimes need to be made and support the Child Side School Governing Council and School Management in making decisions on behalf of all children and parents in the school community.
- Follow the processes available to have issues raised and decisions reviewed.
- Participate in the school community in a constructive manner with respect for the views of others.
- Respect the rights of individuals and families to privacy about their personal situation and not discuss information that they may become aware of as members of the school community. This also includes appropriate use of the 'Parent Contact List' if and when organising and conducting fundraising events.
- Follow the Grievance Policy in the case of disagreement, conflict or making a complaint.
- Notify the school in writing if they wish to withdraw consent at any time, with respect to the recording of photographs and videos of their child/ren for marketing purposes.

- Any photographs or videos taken by parents at school functions including Fire Twirling, Exhibitions of Learning and Little Day Out are not to be posted on external social media platforms. They can however be shared with the internal CCS Whiteboard page.
- Refrain from public criticism about the school both within and outside of the school community.

Breach of this Code

If an individual or group breaches this code for the first time, they will be reminded of their agreement to this code. If the breach continues, occurs again or is of a serious nature, they will be informed in writing by the Child Side School Governing Council that it has been determined that a breach has occurred and of the consequences that will be applied for breaching the code. Further action may be taken and if the breach is not resolved a request or requirement to leave the school community or premises may be made. The Child Side School Governing Council will have the final say on whether a breach has occurred.

VERSION	DATE REVIEWED	DATE RATIFIED	CHANGES MADE	AUTHOR OF CHANGES	NEXT REVIEW DATE
1	Oct 2011	26/10/2011	Policy formulated	КМ	
2	March 2013	20/3/2013	Name changes - GC	КМ	
3.	May 2016	29/6/2016	Remove reference to FLA	КМ	
4.	March 2017	29/3/2017	Include reference to Child Side School Staff Code of Conduct	КМ	
5.	September 2018	28/11/2018	Reviewed and Re- formatted for consistency, Enrolment process added, more specific detail in child code	КМ	
6.	Feb 2019	27/2/2019	Code of conduct for each school group separated from overarching policy	КМ	Term 1 - 2022
7.	June 2022	20/07/2022	Added a reference to include appropriate use of parent information for fundraising events	LF	Term 2 – 2025
8.	Sept 2023	7/12/2023	Additional points with reference to parents withdrawing consent in writing and not posting photographs or videos on external social media platforms	LF	Term 3 - 2026