



Alcohol & Tobacco Policy

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We have an extensive PSHE programme at Broadlands Hall School that focus upon the potential risks from excessive consumption of alcohol and risks of smoking. They concentrate on teaching the importance of young people making healthy, informed choices. The programme involves young people of all ages and continues throughout all year groups in the school. They extend across the curriculum. We also have group discussions which cover the serious risks from abuse of alcohol, tobacco and illegal substances.

Our teaching and medical staff play an active role in promoting greater awareness about the risks involved and will offer informed medical advice. Young people can discuss their individual worries about drinking and smoking with their Key Worker or any member of the Education team. They can also refer themselves to Sister Durrant for individual guidance, without fearing sanctions or adverse report.

We do not allow the young people or staff at Broadlands Hall School to bring alcohol onto the premises. This rule applies to all school trips and visits. Exceptionally for public events, alcohol is bought into school and given as gifts.

Broadlands Hall School is classified as a public place; smoking is therefore illegal for everyone, including staff and visitors.

Young people breaching this policy would meet formally with the Head Teacher to discuss moving forward. Their parents, carers, Key Worker and the Manager of the Home will be informed as will any allocated Social Worker. A young person may be referred for a session of counselling where we have reason to believe that he has issues with either alcohol or tobacco, for example, when there are repeated infringements.

Staff breaching this policy would be dealt with through the disciplinary process.