



WALTHAMSTOW HALL
SEVENOAKS

SCHOOL STATEMENT ON SMOKING

Includes Early Years Foundation Stage

NO SMOKING POLICY

The School operates a non-smoking policy on both sites with the aim of providing a healthy and safe environment for pupils and staff.

In accordance with the Health Act 2006 and the Smoke-free (Premises and Enforcement) Regulations 2006, the School is smoke-free. 'Enclosed and substantially enclosed' public places and workplaces are required to be smoke free. This means that smoking, including vaping, is banned in all areas of the School covered by the regulations and thus provides legal underpinning for the School's policy. It is a criminal offence to smoke in a smoke-free place.

The practical implication of the Act is that there is to be no smoking or vaping in any building on either site, with the exception of the caretakers' lodges. There are no plans to provide designated outdoor smoking areas, both sites and all vehicles are to be entirely smoke free.

The School supports the Government's "Towards a Smoke-free Generation: A Tobacco Control Plan for England" (July 2017) which aims to reduce the number of smoking of 15 years old who regularly smoke to 3% or less.

As a result of the legal obligation placed on the School by the Act, deliberate flouting of the no smoking policy will be treated as a disciplinary matter.

Walthamstow Hall policies are approved, ratified and reviewed regularly by the Governing Body in the light of statutory requirements.

Reviewed: November 2023
Next Review: November 2026

Signed:

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Mrs J Adams
Chairman of the Governing Body