



ABINGDON

SMOKING POLICY

The School strongly discourages the smoking of tobacco as it is highly addictive, is seen by many as antisocial and it can kill. As part of the PSHCE curriculum boys are made aware of the harmful effects of smoking and the damage that it can cause.

Smoking is therefore forbidden at any time when boys, irrespective of their ages, are subject to School discipline, such as while they are travelling to and from School, when they are in School uniform, when they are on School premises, or when they are taking part in official School activities or trips.

(The School - buildings and grounds - is a designated no smoking area which applies equally to adults.)

Boys caught smoking or who have clearly been smoking will be required to do all of the following:

- serve a Head's detention
- attend a seminar organised by the Health Centre on the medical consequences of smoking

For a second offence they serve a Head's detention, are seen by the Head, and receive a warning.

For a third offence within a calendar year the offender will be referred to the Head and sanctions, including the possibility of temporary exclusion, will be imposed at the Head's discretion.

Any boys caught smoking inside school buildings can expect to be temporarily excluded as a result of the increased fire risk.

The rules above apply to the use of all or any cigarette, for example menthol cigarettes, and to all e-cigarettes, vape pens, or other devices to enable the use of e-liquids.

Deputy Head (Pastoral)

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