

Stanbridge Lower School



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Social Networking Agreement

Dear Parents and Carers,

Schools in Leighton Buzzard, Woburn Sands and Totternhoe work together in a partnership known as Learning Community 2 (LC2).

Learning Community 2 Schools

Apsley Guise Lower School
Beaudesert Lower School
Clipstone Brook Lower School
Doverly Down Lower School
Greenleas Lower School
Heathwood Lower School
Hockliffe Lower School
Husborne Crawley Lower School
Leedon Lower School
Linslade Lower School

Mary Bassett Lower School
Pulford C of E Va Lower School
Ridgmont Lower School
St Georges Lower School
St Leonards Lower School
Southcott Lower School
Stanbridge Lower School
Swallowfield Lower School
Totternhoe Lower School
Woburn Lower School

Brooklands School
Fulbrook Middle School
Gilbert Inglefield Academy
Leighton Middle School
Linslade School
Oakbank School
Cedars Upper School
Vandyke Upper School

All the schools within the LC2 partnership value the relationship that exists between home and school. We strive to make excellent provision for all our children and offer parents a variety of opportunities to share in this. We take parental concerns very seriously and are pleased that the vast majority are resolved by the Class Teacher/Middle Leaders. However, as Head Teachers serving in local schools, we felt it appropriate to write to you regarding the growing use of social networking sites such as Twitter and Facebook.

We would like to remind you that using Facebook, Twitter and other Social Networking sites is not the correct forum for issues or concerns about the school. The school does not engage with social media to resolve school matters, preferring to direct parents through the correct channels within school which promote face-to-face discussion. If at any time you have an issue, your first port of call should be the class teacher. If it remains unresolved, then contact the Head Teacher.

The vast majority of people who use social networking show respect in their communication with others and this is something that we must encourage to show our children that we are positive "digital role models". We hold all our dedicated staff in high regard, who make every effort to deliver an enjoyable and enriched learning experience for the children. Personal comments on sites such as Facebook have a potentially large audience, do not afford us with an opportunity to respond professionally and are hugely discouraging for all staff. The Association of School and College Leaders (ASCL) advises that online comment may be regarded as defamatory if it is directly about, or refers to, an individual who may be easily identified. May we also take this opportunity to remind you that in line with school policy, it is not acceptable to upload photographs or video clips of your child taken at school which include other children onto social networking sites without the permission of their parents.

We hope that you understand and appreciate our position on this matter. At Stanbridge we are proud of the strong relationship that we have with parents and I am glad to report that issues relating to the above very rarely occur.

Thank you for your continued support.
Yours sincerely,
Miss R Godwin
Head Teacher



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