

BUS CODE OF CONDUCT POLICY

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It is every student's responsibility to behave in a manner that ensures the safety and comfort of passengers and driver.

Student misbehaviour on the College Bus will result in the Head of Secondary or Head of Primary being notified.

Behaving appropriately means:

- Primary Students are to sit at the front of the bus
- Secondary Students are to sit towards the back of the bus
- Seat belts must be worn tightly at all times
- Once seated NO movement allowed between seats at any time
- Obey directions from the driver, such as where to sit or to remain in the bus
- Keep arms, legs and heads inside the bus
- Refrain from attracting the attention of the driver except in the case of emergency
- Respect the needs and comfort of other passengers, such as no use of offensive or racist language, fighting, spitting, and placing feet on seats, throwing things in or from the bus.
- Refrain from eating or drinking - except water

Respecting property

- Protect bus property
- Removing all rubbish from the bus or place in the bins provided
- Ensure that buses are not vandalised
- Report any vandalism, such as graffiti and window etching

Role of Bus Drivers

- Drive Students in a safe and responsible manner to and from the College.
- Keep buses clean and tidy for Students.
- Ensure that when children get on the bus that they are seated with their seatbelts secure before pulling out into the road.
- Ensure that a physical walkthrough of the bus is completed before departing the college to ensure Students have their seat belts tightly secured.
- Report any inappropriate, unacceptable or dangerous behaviour from students to the relevant Head of School

Unacceptable behaviour such as using offensive or racist language, disobeying reasonable directions from the driver, smoking, spitting, damaging property, eating on the bus, distracting the driver with persistent noise.

Dangerous behaviour such as seriously bullying or harassing other passengers, fighting, moving from seats while bus is moving, letting any part of your body protrude from the bus, throwing objects inside or outside the bus.

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Highly dangerous behaviour such as interfering with safety equipment, pushing students out of the doors or windows, assaulting the driver or other passengers and destruction of bus property.

Consequences of inappropriate behaviour on College Bus:

All students are to behave in a manner that ensures both their comfort and safety and that of other passengers in order to retain their College Bus travel privileges.

The penalties for unacceptable or dangerous behaviour will be reflected in the seriousness of the misbehaviour. The relevant Head of School will ensure that all students who misbehave on buses are dealt with in a fair and consistent manner in accordance with the Student Management Policies.