

WHOLE SCHOOL DRUGS POLICY

Cransley School is committed to the health and safety of its members and will take action to safeguard their well-being.

Cransley School condones neither the misuse of drugs and alcohol by members of the school, nor the illegal supply of those substances.

Aims:

- To show the school's commitment in preventing drugs misuse.
- To enable staff, students and parents to clearly understand the school's position on drugs
- To provide an effective framework for drug education within the school
- To ensure the effective management of drug related incidents
- To provide the best pastoral care for those involved.

What do we mean by drugs?

A drug is any substance which alters the way in which a person feels, thinks and behaves.

This policy will cover:

Medicines
Alcohol
Illegal drugs
Solvents
Tobacco

To whom does this policy apply?

This policy applied to all personnel studying or working in the school, including all those employed by other agencies.

What is taught at each Key Stage?

- Drug education is not just about facts, but it takes into account spiritual, moral, social, cultural, mental and physical and psychological effects of drugs.
- There is a need for teaching material used to be sensitive and matched to the needs and concerns of young people.
- Drug Education forms part of the PSHE Curriculum – it begins with nursery age children and is revisited at every level.
- It is also covered in Science and PE.

How is it taught?

Teaching activities involve pupils actively participating, often in small group activities, and a range of opportunities is used – including outside speakers.

How is it monitored?

The responsibility for monitoring drugs education lies with the PSHE Coordinators (Upper and Lower School) and a member of the Senior Management Team. Monitoring might include:

- Lesson observation
- Looking at samples of pupils' work
- Looking at Curriculum planning – long term and mid term
- Getting feedback from curriculum coordinators, class teachers and pupils

What training and support is offered for staff?

- INSET
- See Professional Development Policy

How does Cransley School manage authorised drugs on school premises?

- In Nursery/Reception all prescribed medication is labelled and passed to the staff in charge. It is their responsibility to get parental authority for medication to be administered.