St George's Church of England Infant and Preschool WhatsApp Guidance

Inspire, Believe, Achieve- Let Your Light Shine Matthew 5v16
Be inspired with all our mind, believe in ourselves to achieve and flourish

The 6 Principles of Nurture:
The nurturing approach offers a range of opportunities for children and young people to engage with missing early nurturing experiences, giving them the social and emotional skills to do well at school and with peers, to develop their resilience and capacity to deal more confidently with the trials and tribulations of life, for life.

1. Children's learning is understood developmentally
2. The classroom offers a safe base
3. The importance of nurture for the development of wellbeing
4. Language is a vital means of communication
5. All behaviour is communication
6. The importance of transition in children's lives

School Vision and Values
At St George's we place great emphasis on our school vision and values. All stakeholders are encouraged to model the values of Community, Compassion, Love, Courage and Commitment throughout their daily life in school. These values and vision support our behaviour policy by allowing children to reflect on their own behaviour and understand how their choices can impact others.

Parents should adhere to the following guidelines when using this WhatsApp group:

* The group should never be used as a platform to air views/grievances regarding a teacher, child or parent in the school.
* The group is not a political platform for airing opinions on current affairs.
* The group should not be used for private conversations with anyone else using the group.
* The group should be used keeping in mind mutual respect and cultural sensitivity between all its members.
* People who are not directly related to or responsible for a child in the school, should not be invited to this group.
* Please do not post images of children that are not yours.
* Please make sure you try and answer questions as accurately as possible and in accordance with how the school operates.

Please note, we consider the following online activity inappropriate:
* Abusive or personal comments about staff, pupils or other parents
* Bringing the school into disrepute.
* Posting defamatory or libellous comments.
* Using social media to publicly challenge school policies or discuss issues about individual children or staff.
* Threatening behaviour, such as verbally intimidating anyone, or using bad language.

Raising Concerns
If you are concerned about inappropriate comments on a WhatsApp group, please get in touch with the school office.

If you have a grievance related to school and or its policies please contact the school directly.