

Smoking, being near people who are smoking, or bringing cigarettes into school: the sanctions

We strongly advise you to keep away from anyone foolish enough to smoke on our school premises. **If you are caught next to, or in a huddle with, smokers - you will also be disciplined.**

You will be subject to school discipline if you are:

- * caught smoking;
- * caught associating with smokers;
- * in possession of cigarettes, lighters matches, e-cigarettes;
- * identified as smoking by a reliable witness.

This rule covers:

- * when you are travelling on school buses;
- * on school premises, including the school yards and the school playing fields;
- * on any school trip;



If you are found with cigarettes they will be destroyed in your presence.

The sanction for smoking or being next to or in a huddle with a smoker is an after-school detention.

Persistent smokers may be placed into seclusion, given a fixed term exclusion and banned from trips and social events.

We won't let you damage the health of other people

St Augustine's will protect the rights of the huge majority of pupils who don't smoke

The school will do all we can to protect your rights and your health. Please report anyone smoking to a teacher. Persistent smokers will be banned from school buses. Help us to keep our school clean, healthy and smoke free.

Sore throats, bad breath, poor skin, smelly clothes, the waste of money, even emphysema or cancer.

Smoking is not only bad news for smokers, it is bad news for the rest of us as well.

If you have any query regarding this leaflet or if there is something you want us to know about, please phone the school on 01254 823362.

Saint Augustine's Roman Catholic High School

Smoking



Mouth Cancer Caused by Smoking

You pay for it

Smoking is a dying habit

Fact: the number of St Augustine's pupils who smoke has been rapidly declining for several years.

This reflects what is happening within the wider population.

Now only a handful of pupils smoke.

They kid and comfort themselves by saying, "Everyone smokes".

Smoking makes you ill, it makes you smell, it is really bad for your skin, it is addictive and it is very, very expensive.

Smoking in public places is banned throughout the United Kingdom and bans are increasing throughout the world.

Passive smoking is when people are forced to breathe in other people's smoke. It causes sickness and disease.

Non-smokers have had enough

They do not want to travel on smelly buses or be forced to inhale other people's toxic, cancerous cigarette smoke.
Many are going to the law to protect their rights.

WE WANT YOU TO STAND UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS

St Augustine's is a non-smoking school

We will not tolerate anybody smoking on our yards, premises, fields or on the buses which transport our pupils to and from school.

Most young people don't smoke:

1. because they don't need to
2. because they want their breath and clothes to smell fresh
3. because they want to keep fit
4. because it is a waste of their money
5. because they want to live a healthy lifestyle

You can help to keep us a smoking-free school

If you are travelling on a school bus and somebody else is smoking, they are putting **your** health at risk.

Why should **you** go home with a sore throat or smelling of smoke?

Stand up for your rights

Tell your Year Leader **or** ask your parent / carer to phone in with the names of people smoking. Either way, the school makes an absolute promise to protect your anonymity.

If you have been identified as smoking on a school bus the school will pass on your name to the Local Authority Transport Section.

Your parents will be warned in writing that any repetition will lead to you being banned from travelling on school transport.

This is already happening across Lancashire.

Smoking is banned on the yard, in the fields and in any school buildings.

Anyone identified as smoking while wearing the school uniform is legally subject to school rules. The school will also pass on to the police the name of any shop or adult identified as selling cigarettes to you.

Want to quit?

There's help at hand.

www.quit.org.uk

Text **'quit'** to
07781471029

NHS helpline:
0800 022 4 332



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