

The Staff and Governors of Strathearn School have agreed upon a Drugs Education Policy as required by legislation for all schools in Northern Ireland. This policy is available on request from the School Reception and on the School Website:

[www.strathearn.org.uk](http://www.strathearn.org.uk)

*(under Parental Information – School Policies)*

Should a suspected drugs-related incident come to the attention of the School, the Principal will ensure the following people are informed (where relevant):

- ◆ Parents / Guardians
- ◆ PSNI
- ◆ Chairman of the Board of Governors
- ◆ Designated Officer in BELB
- ◆ Members of Staff



## AGENCIES

### **Health Promotion Agency**

18 Ormeau Avenue  
Belfast BT2 8HS  
Tel: (028) 9031 1611  
[www.healthpromotionagency.org.uk](http://www.healthpromotionagency.org.uk)

### **Contact Youth**

14 College Square North  
Belfast BT1 6AS  
Tel: (028) 9032 0092

### **New Life Counselling**

Unit 20, North City Business Centre  
2 Duncairn Gardens, Belfast BT15 2GG  
(028) 9074 6184

### **PSNI Drugs Education Officer Crime Prevention Branch**

65 Knock Road  
Belfast BT5 6LE  
Tel: 0845 600 8000

### **National Drugs Helpline**

0800 776600

## RESOURCES

### **Drugs and solvents**

A Guide for Parents (2006)  
[www.healthpromotionagency.org.uk](http://www.healthpromotionagency.org.uk)

### **Up-2-You**

Your Body, Your Life, Your Choice  
[www.up-2-you.net](http://www.up-2-you.net)

### **Frank (Drugs Helpline)**

Tel: 0800 776600  
[www.talktofrank.co.uk](http://www.talktofrank.co.uk)

### **Alcohol and Young People:**

A Guide for Parents and Teachers  
Northern Ireland Drinks Industry Group  
Leaflet in association with the Health Promotion Agency, PSNI and NI Strategy Education & Prevention Group

# DRUGS



**The Designated Teacher for Drugs  
Education is Mrs H Graham (Vice-Principal)**

# ILLEGAL SUBSTANCES OR CONTROLLED DRUGS

## Possessing or Supplying:

- ◆ Pupils are not permitted to bring controlled drugs into school or to misuse such substances while on the school premises. This policy also applies to all out of school visits.
- ◆ If illegal substance misuse by a pupil is confirmed the Principal, in consultation with the Board of Governors, will apply sanctions in accordance with our Discipline Policy as well as offering appropriate pastoral support.

*Statistics inform us that the number of young people who use and misuse substances is rising. Parents should therefore be aware of the dangers of substance abuse. On the back of this leaflet are useful resources and agencies which offer advice and support for both parents and young people.*



# ALCOHOL

- ◆ Pupils are not permitted to bring alcohol into school or to consume it on school premises.
- ◆ This policy also applies to all out of school visits.



***Pupils who breach these codes of behaviour will be subject to the appropriate sanctions and their parent/s will be informed.***

## Drugs Education within the Curriculum

Information on drugs is delivered by various departments across year groups as part of our Personal Development programme. Pupils have opportunities to develop the values, skills, knowledge and understanding necessary to make informed and responsible decisions about the use/misuse of drugs, within the context of a healthy lifestyle and to cope with any pressures they may face with regard to substance abuse.

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- ◆ Pupils are not permitted to bring cigarettes or tobacco into school or smoke while on school premises.
- ◆ Pupils are not permitted to smoke on school visits or in any public place while in school uniform.