



HEANOR GATE SCIENCE COLLEGE

“Develop all learners to achieve their full potential”
“Create a culture of aspiration”

Principal: **Mr S Huntington**



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Dear Parent/Carer

Smoke free school sites provide a healthy and safe environment in which young people can develop. At Heanor Gate Science College we take seriously our duty to promote the wellbeing of our students and are therefore committed to being a non-smoking site. This includes e-cigarettes.

Smoking is strictly prohibited in any area of the school, the premises or the grounds, and this includes the entrance area to the school, carparks, and any land or roads adjacent to the site. This ruling applies to staff and visitors as well as students. In addition to enforcing the policy within the school grounds, we ask students who choose to smoke outside of school not to do so whilst wearing school uniform. We take great pride in our school, the image we portray in the community, and like to think that all our staff and students act as role models for one another.

If a student is caught smoking on site the school will apply the necessary sanctions and any smoking related products will be confiscated from students. **In addition, if a Year 11 student is caught smoking on site, or in possession of an e-cigarette or tobacco, they will have their Prom ticket revoked immediately, without exception.** This is not a decision we have taken lightly and we sincerely hope that it is not one which we have to enforce. However, we hope you will understand that we cannot allow a very small number of students to set a poor example to other students in our school.

Yours sincerely

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