



# Vandalism

## The Woodlands

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## **Vandalism Policy**

Deliberate damage of school property directly affects the education of our pupils by taking much-needed funds to repair the damage caused. To redress this, the school will charge the parents/carers of students who deliberately destroy or cause damage to the school, its fixtures, fittings and property.

The school's CCTV cameras are positioned so staff can look at the video of when an incident occurred. The school displays compliant signage to make staff, pupils and visitors aware under The Data Protection Act that they are being recorded.

All deliberate damage to school fixtures, fittings and property will be costed and an invoice generated, which will be forwarded to the parent/carer of the pupil along with a letter of explanation. In cases where financial issues may be causing the pupil and their family great hardship, reparation and the student assisting with refurbishing the school may be negotiated as an alternative to payment.

## **Refusal of payment and non-payment of part or the whole balance**

Pupil and their parents / carers who refuse to pay the sum owed will lose the right to access the extra-curricular benefits put on by the school at its expense. Examples of this could be:

- Loss of extra-curricular and reward trips
- The loss of other benefits the school sees fit

## **Mechanism for collection of funds**

Once an estimate / invoice has been received to repair the deliberate damage, a member of the Senior Leadership Team will meet with parents to agree the scheme of payments. Invoices will be generated and receipts issued by the Business Manager. Records of payments received will be detailed on a spreadsheet which will be updated by the Business Manager and the monies credited to the DCC Income account.