Dear Parents,

At St Edward’s School we strive to encourage good behaviour, self discipline and respect for others in a positive and consistent manner. We recognise that children have a right to develop as unique individuals and we encourage children to be responsible for their own behaviour. We also believe students have a right to learn in a safe and happy environment.

Therefore, at St Edward’s we have developed a school discipline policy to ensure that we cater for the whole child in an individual manner across the school community. It is imperative that we have the support of all parents for this policy to be effective, as we believe that a strong partnership between home and school is greatly beneficial in the overall development of your child.

Awards of Affirmations
Affirming the good behaviour of students is a priority at St Edward’s School. Students have the opportunity to receive Assembly Awards. Student of the Week, Curriculum Awards and Class Awards are presented each week to students displaying academic effort and achievement, as well as citizenship and initiative. Recipients are noted in the weekly school newsletter and on the school website.

School Rules
Each classroom has a copy of the school rules that encompass the Values that are unique to St Edward’s Primary School. Teachers go through the school rules with the children at the beginning of each term. Each class also devises a list of classroom rules at the beginning of the school year.

Classroom Reflection Book / Lunchtime Reflection Room
Inappropriate behaviour procedures are explained to the students and monitored by the Principal / Assistant Principal. It is important to note that if a student is referred to the Lunch Time Reflection room for a breach of school rules, a letter will be sent home. Letters are sent to keep lines of communication open between home and school. We believe that parents and teachers need to work together and keep in regular contact of problems occur. The letter also helps the students take responsibility for their behaviour and reflect on ways to avoid breaking the same rule again. We would appreciate your support by discussing the incident with your child and signing and returning the letter the next day.

A full copy of the St Edward’s School Discipline Policy is available on our website.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the school discipline policy, please contact your child’s teacher.

We look forward to working with you during your time here at St Edward’s School.

Yours faithfully,

Gary McSweeney
Principal