



## **Barlaston C.E. (VC) First School**

# **“Let Your Light Shine” Matthew 5:16** **Bringing Items to School Policy**

### **Our Vision Statement**

Let your light shine through family, friendship and faith.

### **Our Spirituality Vision**

Spirituality is an ever changing journey through life, connecting each individual with something bigger than themselves.

### **Equality Statement**

The school is committed to providing the full range of opportunities for all pupils, regardless of gender, disability, ethnicity, social, cultural or religious background. All pupils have access to the curriculum, and the right to a learning environment, which dispels ignorance, prejudice or stereotyping.

### **Dyslexia Statement**

To ensure that children on the dyslexic spectrum have equal opportunities and that their diverse strengths are celebrated and built on.

### **Safeguarding Statement**

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people/vulnerable adults and expect all staff and volunteers to share this commitment.

### **1. When is this appropriate?**

From time to time, the children may be asked to bring items into school from home linked to a topic. In this situation, the items will be put safely in the care of the teacher and used at the appropriate time to support learning.

### **2. What will happen to items that are brought into school without permission?**

We are aware that children may want to bring items into school to show their friends, but this is when items can so easily become lost or broken. Therefore, the school strongly states that items from home should not be brought into school unless the situation in question one applies. School will not be liable for any missing or broken items. By the child bringing the item into school, against the policy, they remain culpable. Should a child be found with a toy or item from home, the child will be asked to place the item in a bag and the bag will be placed on a hook in the classroom at adult height. The item will be returned to the parent of the child at the end of the day, not to the child themselves.

### **3. What happens if the item is broken or goes missing?**

Should a child bring anything into school when not required, and this item isn't noticed by the teacher and removed, ie the child keeps it in their bag or tray, the school will not be liable should the item become lost or broken.

### **4. Toy Days**

Sometimes at the end of the term, the children are allowed to bring in a toy from home for a toy day. We always stress to the children that they are not to bring in their best toys, toys that are expensive or small computer based items. We also stress to the children that parents need to know what the child is bringing in, so as to check that it is appropriate. We encourage parents to check what your child is bringing in on these special days.

### **5. Playing with toys before school starts**

We strongly discourage items being brought onto the playground before school starts. The school takes no responsibility for these items, this remains with the parents and child should items become lost or damaged.

Policy agreed by The Governing Body January 2020

Policy to be next reviewed in January 2021



Mr. G. Tomblin  
Chair of Governors  
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