



St Joseph's Catholic Primary School

BEHAVIOUR POLICY: COVID-19 AMENDMENTS

The school behaviour policy is fit for purpose in 'normal' circumstances. As the school operates during the pandemic of the coronavirus, this amendment ensures everyone's safety is protected.

Staff will identify children who may find the transition back to school difficult and who may present behavioural challenges. Staff will be mindful of children who have had difficulties or even traumatic experiences whilst away from school and children who will find returning to a school, quite different from the one they left, confusing, unpredictable and challenging.

An individual 'Return to School Behaviour Plan' will be completed where appropriate.

If a child is unwell, or showing the symptoms of Covid -19 (as defined by current government guidelines) or the school has information that parents are not following current government guidelines they will expect the child to remain at home and offer provision and support remotely informing relevant partner agencies through the Early Help triage process. This will include establishing regular contact with the family until such time as they have adhered to guidelines enabling the now well or symptom free child to return to school. Leaders will use their professional discretion, working with any partner agencies and LA officers should other exceptional circumstances exist whereby a child compromises the health, wellbeing or safety of staff or other children.

- All parents and children will adhere to the strict timings for the start and the end day arrangements. These are detailed in the School Plan for Wider Opening and Risk Assessment.
- Handwashing arrangements will be adhered to by all children upon arrival, before departure and at designated times throughout the day.
- Children may only socialise with other children within their bubble. This must still be done at a 2 metre distance wherever possible.
- Children must abide by the entrance and exits for their class as well as using the specified toilets one at a time.
- Expectations about sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal (in line with the "catch it, bin it, kill it" message) and avoiding touching your mouth, nose and eyes have been shared with all children and children are expected to follow this guidance.
- Children must tell an adult if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus.
- Children will not share any equipment or other items, including drinking bottles. Children must not touch any possessions that are not theirs.
- Children will have staggered lunchtimes and breaktimes, maintaining their bubbles. They will be directed as to which areas of the playground or grassy area they are able to play in, adhering to the 2m social distance rule.
- No-one should cough or spit at or towards any other person. The first instance of this behaviour will result in the Headteacher phoning parents. A repeat incidence of this behaviour will result in a fixed-term exclusion.
- Deliberate breaking of the social distancing rules will, in the first instance result in the Headteacher phoning parents. A repeat incidence of this behaviour will result in a fixed-term exclusion.

Amendment of Sanctions

1. Verbal warning
 2. Orange - time out in bubble room for 5 minutes of playtime
 3. Red – taken by a bubble adult to the Headteacher
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RETURN TO SCHOOL BEHAVIOUR PLAN

Name of Child:	EHCP: Y/N	Date:
Anticipated behaviours that may cause difficulties on return to school:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Running off• Not keeping 2m distance• Pushing, kicking other children• Personal Hygiene• Does not understand consequences		
Strategies to use:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Support of key adult• Positive praise• Share clear expectations – repeat daily if needed• Calm conversation around unacceptable behaviour• Rewards for following behaviour – stickers, dojos etc• Visual timetable• Sensory breaks• Communication with parents• TIME-OUT (Outside of class)• Yellow/red cards if behaviour occurs during break and lunch		
Strategies to avoid:		
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Removal of rewards• Shaming• Avoid too many instructions at once		
Emergency Procedures:		
In the result of extreme behaviour that is a threat to the other children and adult, children are removed into a safe space (whilst maintaining social distancing rules). Parents are called to come and collect the child.		

Date shared with parents via e mail/letter home:		Signed by SENCO:	
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