

## Special Amendments to the Behaviour Policy during COVID-19 Epidemic

# Behaviour Principles

In light of the need for pupils to behave differently and to follow specific rules on their return to school during the Covid-19 epidemic, this amendment to the Behaviour Policy outlines specific changes to guidance that pupils will have to follow. Our sole guiding principle when making any changes or adjustments to policy is to be able to keep all of our pupils, families and staff safe and place their wellbeing at the forefront of everything we do. These amendments will be communicated to pupils, parents and staff.

The main aims of The Behaviour Policy and Anti-Bullying Policy still apply but during the current situation of Covid-19, all pupils must strictly adhere to the following rules and procedures.

### **Expectations**

Pupils will be reminded about expectations for behaviour referencing DfE posters throughout the school day, especially first thing in the morning, before break and lunchtimes and at the end of the school day.

# Pupils should remember:

*To keep their social distance – where appropriate.* 

*Not to deliberately touch anything that's not theirs.* 

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Not to spit at anyone; pupils who cough or spit at or towards any other person may be asked to go home with their parents/carers and come back the following day. Whenever possible, to use a tissue to sneeze into. Making sure all used tissues are disposed of safely. If this is not possible then they must cough or sneeze into their elbow or sleeve.

If possible, to try and not touch their eyes, nose and mouth throughout the day. Only use their own individual equipment.

Only eat and touch their own lunch and use their own water bottle.

Stay within their own designated area of the school —classroom, playground, field at timetabled times only with infrequent visits to the toilet unless advised by parent/carer. Whenever possible, toilets to be used when there is an adult present outside due to health and safety.

#### **Procedures**

Tissues to be used to 'Catch it, bin it, kill it.

All instructions on DfE posters around school to be followed.

Following the Government guidelines, it is not recommended that young children wear masks to school. Pupils must follow current government guidelines and remove when entering school. They should be removed using ear loops only, no touching them whilst wearing them. Once removed, if they are disposable masks they should be disposed of safely in a lidded bin. If they are re-usable masks, they should be put in a small, tied plastic bag and placed inside individual lockers so they can be taken home safely. Children to let an adult know if they are feeling unwell – adult to take pupil to the isolation room in the Community Centre.

(See Appendix 1 – Procedures to Follow if a Pupil Shows Symptoms of COVID 19)

*One bubble group at a time to use the toilets – adult to monitor at all times.* 

Water bottle to be kept on individual tables.

All stationery to be kept on child's desk and kept in individual pencil cases throughout the day.

Coats to be kept in lockers.

Packed lunches to be kept in lockers.

Pupils to go to the toilet before and after break/lunchtime in allocated toilets; if needed during break or lunchtime the TA should accompany.

#### *Hygiene and Health Expectations:*

Pupils are expected to follow school instructions on hygiene, including hand washing and sanitising. School has high expectations about sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal (re-enforce 'catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoiding touching the mouth, nose and eyes with hands.

Pupils encouraged to tell an adult if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus or feel unwell in general.

Hand sanitisers available at the school entrance and in classrooms.

Hands to be washed/sanitised on entry and exit and throughout the day. (See DfE posters around school for guidance.)

All rooms to have a supply of disposable tissues at the start of each day.

When used, tissues to be thrown away safely into lidded bins and hands washed thoroughly. (20 seconds)

### Outside Playtimes

There will be zero tolerance of pupils mixing between bubble groups. If pupils cannot follow these rules then they will be sent to sit in the bottom of the hall with the

Headteacher or other member of staff. If pupils continue to break these rules, parents/carers will be contacted which may result in pupil being sent home. Outside doors to toilets and windows to be kept open for ventilation purposes due to health and safety.

Pupils will only be able to play with those pupils in their bubble group.

One reminder of social distancing, where appropriate, will be given to every pupil – depending on the age of the pupil. If unsafe behaviour continues, contrary to Government guidelines, a phone call home will be made so parents/carers can remind their own children about the rules once their child gets home.

Parents of pupils deliberately breaking health and safety rules will be contacted immediately and will be asked to collect their pupil. Cases will be dealt with on a case by case basis

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# Procedure to Follow If a Pupil Shows Symptoms of Covid-19

If a pupil is unwell and shows symptoms of COVID-19 then the following procedure should be followed:

The pupil should be accompanied, at a safe distance, to the isolation room in the Community Centre immediately, together with all their belongings.

The Class Teacher should organise the immediate wiping down of all surfaces that the pupil has and may have been in contact with. If possible, the pupil should leave the room/go outside until the room has been disinfected.

All those in the class group, including staff members, should wash their hands.

## The staff member in the isolation room should prepare themselves as follows:

Put on a face visor, disposable apron and disposable gloves.

The door should be left open for ventilation.

The pupil's temperature should be taken – symptoms of COVID-19 are a temperature of 37.8C or above.

No other persons should be allowed to enter the room whilst the pupil is there.

If the pupil needs to use the toilet, they should use the toilet in the Community Centre – this toilet may not be used by anyone else until it has been cleaned and disinfected. This must be carried out as soon as the pupil has been collected.

If the pupil is seriously ill, injured or their life is at risk, 999 should be called.

The parent/carer should be telephoned immediately and asked to attend the school to collect their pupil.

On arrival, the parent/carer should wait at the Community Centre door and the pupil will be taken to the parent/carer.

## The following guidance should be given to the parent/carer:

That the pupil should stay home for 10 days. If temperature is normal after this time they can return to school; if they still have a temperature, then they cannot return until it returns to normal.

Parent/carer to book a test <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/">https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/testing-and-tracing/</a>

Parent/carer must inform the school of the results as soon as known.

Other members of their household should self-isolate for the full 14 days.

The isolation room should be immediately cleaned and disinfected in all areas where the pupil has been, including doors, chair, toilet if used.

All disposable PPE equipment should be disposed of.

The pupil should be entered onto a log, with time and date of going home and then a subsequent note made of test results and return to school.

Members of staff/pupils do not need to be sent home unless they display symptoms themselves.