

Behaviour policy: Covid-19 addendum



Westvale Primary School

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1. Scope

This addendum applies until further notice.

Unless covered in this addendum, our normal behaviour policy continues to apply.

We may need to amend or add to this addendum as circumstances or official guidance changes. We will communicate any changes to staff, parents and pupils.

2. Expectations for pupils in school

2.1 New rules

When pupils are in school, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below to keep themselves and the rest of the school community safe.

Staff will be familiar with these rules and make sure they are followed consistently.

Parents should also read the rules and ensure that their children follow the new procedures that have been put in place. Parents should contact Mrs. Afflick Head teacher if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them.

New rules will include ensuring pupils follow:

- Altered routines for arriving or leaving the school
- Hygiene, such as handwashing and sanitising
- Who they can socialise with at school, including at lunch and break times
- Moving around the school (e.g. one-way systems, out of bounds areas, queuing)
- Sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoiding touching their mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- Telling an adult if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus
- Sharing any school equipment or frequently used items such as pencils or pens
- Breaks or play times, including where children may or may not play
- Use of toilets
- Not to cough or spit at or towards any other person

2.2 Rewards and sanctions for following rules

To help encourage pupils to follow the above rules, we will:

Recognise and praise pupils following the new rules and reward them appropriately within G2BG whole school/class behaviour systems each day.

However, if pupils fail to follow these rules, we will:

Give verbal reminders to follow new rules correctly.

Give verbal warning to follow new rules correctly.

Phone call home by class teacher if continue not to follow new rules.

Phone by Deputy Head teacher or member of Senior Leadership Team home.

Phone call and/or letter from Head teacher

Exclusions may be necessary if a pupil was not to respond to the early sanction stages but we hope with guidance/reminders and everyone working together we will not need to use exclusions as a sanction.

Staff will need to be aware of accidental and deliberate rule breaking and should seek advice from colleagues/member of Senior Leadership Team if unsure.

2.3 Changed rules

Until further notice, we will alter the following school rules:

- Expectations for attendance – the latest government guidance says attendance will be mandatory from September. We will be reverting back to our normal high standards and expectations for attendance and is our school Attendance Policy. We will use first day response and expect parents/carers to phone school if their child is absent on first day or school will phone home.

Expectations for uniform, - From September 2020, all pupils must again wear full uniform to school and follow normal school rules on uniform. If pupils cannot wear their full uniform, parents should contact Mrs Haywood Deputy Head or Mrs Afflick Head teacher.

3. Expectations for pupils at home

3.1 Remote learning rules

When pupils are not in school, we expect them to follow all the rules, with parental support, for any remote home learning set for their year group. They should complete work for the deadline set by teachers, seek help if needed from teachers or teaching assistants or alert staff if they are unable to complete work set.

Parents should contact Mrs Haywood or the year group class teacher if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them.

3.2 Dealing with problems

If there are any problems with pupils adhering to rules around remote learning, including if they don't engage with the remote learning set for them, we will:

Contact parents and see if there are any issues we can help with.

4. Monitoring arrangements

We will review this policy as guidance from the local authority or Department for Education is updated, and as a minimum [every 3 to 4 weeks] by Mrs Afflick Headteacher/H. Rahmani Chair of Governors. At every review, it will be approved by the full governing board.

5. Links with other policies

This policy links to the following policies and procedures:

- Child protection policy

- Health and safety policy
- Attendance policy