



**BOOTHVILLE  
PRIMARY SCHOOL**

# **Pupil Behaviour and Discipline Policy**

## Behaviour and Discipline

Date	Review Date
September 2016	September 2017

We believe this policy relates to the following legislation:

- School Standards and Framework Act 1998
- Education and Inspection Act 2006
- Apprenticeships, Skills, Children and Learning Act 2009
- Education Act 2011
- School Discipline (Pupil Exclusions and Reviews) (England) Regulations 2012

We have a duty under the School Standards and Framework Act 1998 to have in place a behaviour policy that is annually reviewed, made available to all stakeholders and is consistent throughout the school.

We believe that we promote good behaviour by creating a happy caring school environment where everyone feels valued, respected, secure and free from all forms of anti-social behaviour.

We encourage pupils to achieve in a learning environment where self-discipline is promoted and good behaviour is the norm. We believe pupils will achieve their full potential in a happy, stimulating and ordered school environment.

We strongly endorse the banning of all forms of corporal punishment which has been defined as 'the use of physical force causing pain, but not wounds, as a means of discipline'.

We are aware that we have the right to use reasonable force to control or restrain pupils in order to prevent personal injury, damage to property or the prevention of a criminal offence being committed but not as a means of disciplining pupils.

We as a school community have a commitment to promote equality. Therefore, an equality impact assessment has been undertaken and we believe this policy is in line with the Equality Act 2010.

### Aims

- To create an ethos that makes everyone in the school community feel valued and respected.
- To promote good behaviour by forging sound working relationships with everyone involved with the school.
- To promote self-discipline and proper regard for authority among pupils.
- To prevent all forms of bullying among pupils by encouraging good behaviour and respect for others.
- To work with other schools to share good practice in order to improve this policy.

## Responsibility for the Policy and Procedure

### Role of the Governing Body

The Governing Body has:

- the duty to set the framework of the school's policy on pupil discipline after consultation with the parents and pupils of the school;
- responsibility to ensure that the school complies with this policy;
- delegated powers and responsibilities to the Headteacher to ensure that school personnel and pupils are aware of this policy;
- delegated powers and responsibilities to the Headteacher to ensure all visitors to the school are aware of and comply with this policy;
- the duty to support the Headteacher and school personnel in maintaining high standards of behaviour;
- responsibility for ensuring that the school complies with all equalities legislation;
- responsibility for ensuring funding is in place to support this policy;
- responsibility for ensuring this policy and all policies are maintained and updated regularly;
- responsibility for ensuring all policies are made available to parents;
- the responsibility of involving the School Council in the development, approval, implementation and review of this policy;
- responsibility for the effective implementation, monitoring and evaluation of this policy

### Role of the Headteacher

The Headteacher will:

- determine the detail of the standard of behaviour that is acceptable to the school;
- ensure all school personnel, pupils and parents are aware of and comply with this policy;
- work hard with everyone in the school community to create an ethos that makes everyone feel valued and respected;
- promote good behaviour by forging sound working relationships with everyone involved with the school;
- encourage good behaviour and respect for others, in order to prevent all forms of bullying among pupils;
- ensure the health, safety and welfare of all children in the school;
- work with the School Council to create a set of school rules that will encourage good behaviour and respect for others;
- work closely with the link governor and coordinator;
- provide leadership and vision in respect of equality;
- provide guidance, support and training to all staff;
- monitor the effectiveness of this policy by analysing :
  - pupil attitudes to school and learning
  - the views of pupils, parents, school personnel and governors
  - the number of fixed-period and permanent exclusions
  - incident logs, rewards and sanctions
  - the number of reported cases of bullying
  - strategies to improve behaviour and discipline

- annually report to the Governing Body on the success and development of this policy

### **Role of the Assistant Headteacher/Phase Leaders**

They will:

- lead the development of this policy throughout the school;
- work closely with the Headteacher and the nominated governor;
- provide guidance and support to all staff;
- provide training for all staff on induction and when the need arises;
- keep up to date with new developments and resources;
- work with the School Council;
- monitor school support systems;
- undertake classroom monitoring;
- organise a 'Buddy System';
- analyse the concerns from the 'Worry Boxes';
- track pupils through Individual Provision Maps;
- create links with parents;
- deal with external agencies;
- review and monitor;

### **Role of School Personnel**

School personnel are expected to:

- comply with all aspects of this policy
- encourage good behaviour and respect for others in pupils and to apply all rewards and sanctions fairly and consistently;
- promote self-discipline amongst pupils;
- deal appropriately with any unacceptable behaviour;
- apply all rewards and sanctions fairly and consistently;
- discuss pupil behaviour and discipline regularly at staff meetings;
- provide well planned, interesting and demanding lessons which will contribute to maintaining good discipline;
- attend periodic training on behaviour management;
- ensure the health and safety of the pupils in their care;
- identify problems that may arise and to offer solutions to the problem;
- implement the school's equalities policy and schemes;
- report and deal with all incidents of discrimination;
- attend appropriate training sessions on equality;
- report any concerns they have on any aspect of the school community

### **Role of Pupils**

Pupils will:

- be aware of and comply with this policy
- be polite and well behaved at all times;
- show consideration to others;

- talk to others without shouting and will use language which is neither abusive nor offensive;
- listen carefully to all instructions given by the teacher;
- ask for further help if they do not understand;
- treat others, their work and equipment with respect;
- support the school Code of Conduct and guidance necessary to ensure the smooth running of the school;
- obey all health and safety regulations in all areas of the school;
- co-sign and abide by the Home School Agreement;
- liaise with the school council make suggestions about improving school behaviour;
- take part in questionnaires and surveys

## **Role of Parents/Carers**

Parents/carers are encouraged to:

- comply with this policy;
- have good relations with the school;
- support good behaviour;
- sign the school's 'Home-School Agreement';
- ensure their children understand and value the meaning of good behaviour;
- support school rules and sanctions
- be asked to take part periodic surveys conducted by the school;
- support the school Code of Conduct and guidance necessary to ensure smooth running of the school

## **Role of the School Council**

The School Council will be involved in:

- determining this policy with the Governing Body;
- discussing improvements to this policy during the school year;
- devising school rules and sanctions;
- reviewing the effectiveness of this policy with the Governing Body

## **Sanctions**

Sanctions which must be applied fairly and consistently have been devised:

- by the School Council and the Governing Body;
- not to be degrading or humiliating to any pupil

## **Exclusion**

The Governing Body has decided that in exceptional circumstances that exclusion will be used as a sanction either as a:

- fixed term or
- permanent exclusion

## **Pupil Support**

A number of pupil support systems are in place and are proving effective in promoting good behaviour. All school personnel work hard to ensure that these systems run smoothly.

## **Celebration of Good Behaviour**

Regular praise and encouragement is part of the school ethos. Good behaviour will be celebrated across the school.

## **Outside Agencies**

We have invaluable support for pupils who demonstrate persistent poor behaviour from the:

- educational psychologist;
- educational welfare officer;
- school health nurse and from
- Social Services

## **Incidents**

- All incidents of bad behaviour will be recorded (O Track)?and thoroughly investigated.

## **Raising Awareness of this Policy**

We will raise awareness of this policy via:

- the School Handbook/Prospectus
- the school website
- the Staff Handbook
- meetings with parents such as introductory, transition, parent-teacher consultations and periodic curriculum workshops
- school events
- meetings with school personnel
- communications with home such as weekly newsletters and of end of half term newsletters
- reports such annual report to parents and Headteacher reports to the Governing Body
- information displays in the main school entrance

## **Training**

All school personnel:

- have equal chances of training, career development and promotion
- receive training on this policy on induction which specifically covers:
  - maintaining good order and discipline

- safeguarding pupils
- the use of reasonable force
- dealing with bullying
- pupils at risk of disaffection
- pupil support programmes

- receive periodic training so that they are kept up to date with new information
- receive equal opportunities training on induction

## Equality Impact Assessment

Under the Equality Act 2010 we have a duty not to discriminate against people on the basis of their age, disability, gender, gender identity, pregnancy or maternity, race, religion or belief and sexual orientation.

This policy has been equality impact assessed and we believe that it is in line with the Equality Act 2010 as it is fair, it does not prioritise or disadvantage any pupil and it helps to promote equality at this school.

<b>Headteacher:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	
<b>Chair of Governing Body:</b>		<b>Date:</b>	

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**Initial Equality Impact Assessment**

Please complete an initial equality impact assessment once this policy has been customised to suit your purposes.

Policy Title	The aim(s) of this policy	Existing policy (✓)	New/Proposed Policy (✓)	Updated Policy (✓)
			✓	

This policy affects or is likely to affect the following members of the school community (✓)	Pupils	School Personnel	Parents/carers	Governors	School Volunteers	School Visitors	Wider School Community

Question	Equality Groups																		Conclusion													
	Age			Disability			Gender			Gender identity			Pregnancy or maternity			Race			Religion or belief			Sexual orientation			Yes	No						
Does or could this policy have a negative impact on any of the following?	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS								
		✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓						
Does or could this policy help promote equality for any of the following?	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS					
	✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓				✓			
Does data collected from the equality groups have a positive impact on this policy?	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS	Y	N	NS		
	✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓			✓				✓

<b>Conclusion</b>	We have come to the conclusion that after undertaking an initial equality impact assessment that a full assessment is not required.
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<b>Preliminary EIA completed by</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Preliminary EIA approved by</b>	<b>Date</b>

**Policy Evaluation**

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Points to be considered	Yes	No	N/A	Please supply evidence
• Policy annually reviewed				
• Policy in line with current legislation				
• Coordinator in place				
• Nominated governor in place				
• Coordinator carries out role effectively				
• Headteacher, coordinator and nominated governor work closely				
• Policy endorsed by governing body				
• Policy regularly discussed at meetings of the governing body				
• School personnel aware of this policy				
• School personnel comply with this policy				
• Pupils aware of this policy				
• Parents aware of this policy				
• Visitors aware of this policy				
• Local community aware of this policy				
• Funding in place				
• Policy complies with the Equality Act				
• Equality Impact Assessment undertaken				
• Policy referred to the School Handbook				
• Policy available from the school office				
• Policy available from the school website				
• School Council involved with policy development				
• All stakeholders take part in questionnaires and surveys				
• All associated training in place				
• All outlined procedures complied with				
• Linked policies in place and up to date				
• Associated policies in place and up to date				
<b>A statement outlining the overall effectiveness of this policy</b>				