

# **Behaviour** Policy

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#### <u>Aims</u>

We aim to establish a caring school community, where all pupils feel safe, secure and valued, developing a love of learning, alongside their own independence and resilience. Parents/carers take responsibility and are supported to take an active role in the development of their child as positive members of the school and wider community. Children contribute to rules, adhere to them and take responsibility for their own actions.

#### <u>Our Philosophy</u>

We believe that all members of the school community have rights and responsibilities, which each individual should respect and promote. Everyone at Crowmoor Primary is important and is to be valued. We expect each individual to respect other people, their families, their culture and beliefs. As an inclusive school, we acknowledge significant factors in pupils' lives and specific temporary or permanent needs that impact on their behaviour.

#### **Expectations**

Through the successful implementation of our Behaviour Policy, we strive to:

- ensure regular attendance
- raise pupils' self-esteem
- promote/develop empathy and respect for self and others
- hold high expectations of work and behaviour of all pupils
- $\cdot$  develop in pupils a sense of self-discipline, independence and an acceptance of responsibility for their own actions
- give support to those with challenging behaviour
- give support to those affected by inappropriate behaviour
- · develop an awareness of and adherence to appropriate behaviour
- encourage pupils to value the school environment and its routines
- develop pupils' confidence of their right to be treated fairly and acknowledging their responsibility to treat others likewise
- uphold the right of staff to determine, request and expect appropriate behaviour acknowledge that the maintenance of good behaviour within the school is a shared responsibility for pupils, carers/parents and staff
- ensure that the policy is fully understood, monitored, evaluated and consistently implemented throughout the school
- uphold the rights and responsibilities of all members of the school community

#### Working in Partnership with Parents

All pupils, parents and staff must know what is expected and what to expect if inappropriate behaviour occurs and to take individual and collective responsibility for enforcing this policy. Where the behaviour of a pupil is giving cause for concern, it is important that all those working with the pupil in school are aware of those concerns, and of steps which are being taken in response.

Positive partnerships with parents are crucial to building trust and developing a common approach to behaviour expectations and strategies for dealing with problems. The school will communicate policy and expectations to parents. Where behaviour is causing concern, parents will be informed at an early stage, and given the opportunity to discuss the situation. Communication with parents is essential for all discipline related issues.

#### Conduct Outside of the School Grounds

The school's behaviour policy will also apply when the pupil is:

- Taking part in any school organised or school related activity
- Travelling to or from school
- Wearing school uniform

The behaviour policy will also apply, even if the conditions above do not apply when:

- The pupil's actions could have repercussions for the orderly running of the school
- The pupil poses a threat to another pupil or member of the public
- The pupil's actions adversely affect the reputation of the school
- School staff will only discipline pupils when they are on the school premises or under the lawful control of the pupil.

All out of school incidents are dealt with on a case-by-case basis at the discretion of the Head Teacher.

#### Implementation of Our Policy

We strive to keep a proper balance between rewards and sanctions, always emphasising the power of praise. Standards of behaviour must be applied to all and by all members of the school community - it is what we do and not just what we say.

Every member of our school will know and follow our school motto and rules:

#### 'If I can DREAM it and BELIEVE it, I can ACHIEVE it.' 'Be Ready. Be Respectful. Be Safe.'

#### <u>Rewards</u>

Our school rewards good behaviour as we believe that this will develop an ethos of kindness and co-operation. This policy is designed to promote and acknowledge good behaviour rather than merely to deter anti-social behaviour. Reward must be based on merit never for a palliative or because it is a child's turn.

Incentive schemes are in place to recognise attendance and achievements. We praise and reward pupils for good behaviour, social skills and work throughout the school day in a variety of ways:

- Verbal praise from adults and peers
- Class reward systems (i.e. table points /stickers/ certificates/ celebration boards)
- Rewards from all staff in school (i.e. good behaviour, raffle tickets for weekly draw, certificates)
- Being given responsibilities e.g. lunchtime monitors etc.
- Sharing achievements with the head teacher and other staff
- Sharing achievements with other pupils in assembly
- Sharing achievements on our school website
- Each class teacher speaking directly to the parents/carers to celebrate exceptional good work or behaviour
- Sharing work on displays

Response Pathway (All lists below are not exhaustive)

SHINE Academies will use a response pathway for any behaviour which may lead to a negative consequence. We use transferable language so that children can understand how consequences in school link to consequences in adult life.

Behaviour examples	Response		Response options
	level	Consequence	

<ul> <li>Low level disruption</li> <li>Low level disruption and talking in class</li> <li>Failure to complete classwork</li> <li>Rudeness</li> <li>Use of mobile phones in school</li> <li>Graffiti</li> <li>Swearing (indirectly or with little understanding of language used)</li> <li>Name-calling</li> </ul>	R1	<ul> <li>Struggle at school (or at work)</li> <li>Miss out on opportunities</li> <li>Upset friends who want to focus</li> <li>Peers will avoid working with you</li> <li>Financial issues (it will cost money to repair or clean)</li> <li>Verbal reminder and the chance to self-correct</li> <li>Change of seating within class</li> </ul>
• Continuous low-level disruption	R2	<ul> <li>Fall behind in school (underperform at work)</li> <li>If prolonged, you could lose your place in class (job)</li> <li>Lose out on future opportunities</li> <li>Lose friends because they do not want to miss out on opportunities</li> <li>Yellow card and a final chance to self-correct</li> <li>Change of seating within year group</li> <li>Break-time reflection</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Discrimination or Harassment – Racist/homophobic/sexist language</li> <li>Vexatious or Bullying behaviour including cyber-bullying</li> <li>Possession of banned items or</li> </ul>	R3	<ul> <li>Lose job (and opportunity to work in certain fields)</li> <li>Criminal charges</li> <li>Loss of privileges</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Possession of banned items or any illegal behaviour</li> <li>Truancy, smoking, stealing or theft.</li> </ul>	R4	<ul> <li>Being seriously hurt through retaliation</li> <li>Being seriously hurt by ill- health</li> <li>Internal reflection away from year group</li> <li>External reflection/ fixed term exclusion</li> </ul>
<ul> <li>Refusal to comply with disciplinary sanctions</li> <li>Violence towards an adult or peer</li> <li>Intended spitting or coughing</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Referral to external provision</li> <li>Permanent exclusion</li> <li>Reduced School Timetable</li> </ul>

#### <u>Agreed Common Language</u>

A key part in ensuring successful behaviour management is consistency including both the following of the policy and the language being used. The following is the terminology agreed for use when managing behaviour.

- Reward
- Ready
- Respectful
- Safe
- Incident Record
- Privilege
- Continuous disruption
- Low disruption
- Internal reflection time
- Reflection time
- Manners and Attitude
- Card (Yellow / red / blue)
- Serious Unacceptable Behaviour

#### <u>Behaviour Management</u>

We follow the 'Good to be Green' behaviour management system: this is where colour-coded behaviour cards are used to support behaviour management. Teachers place an emphasis on using the card system to encourage and emphasise the behaviour that will lead to positive consequences.

#### Red Card Reflection Time

Reflection time will be on an individual case by case basis, considering the age and expectation of the pupil and the seriousness of the incident. Other factors that may be considered when allocating Reflection Time include whether there have been previous incidents of a similar nature. EHCPs, IEPs and IBPs will be taken into consideration when deciding on consequences for children to ensure they are given the correct support and interventions to allow them to improve their behaviour. Reflection time will also enable the child and adult to use restorative practice to identify emotions and impact for all involved.

#### Serious Unacceptable Behaviour

Where a pupil exhibits serious behaviour highlighted as bold on the behaviour chart, or if the pupil receives three 'red card' incidents during a single term, then the response will be escalated to a 'Serious Unacceptable Behaviour Form'. This will result in a SUB form being completed by the member of staff working with the pupil which will be sent to a member of SLT. The SLT member will fully investigate the incident that has occurred. If the account is deemed to be accurate, sanctions will be enforced. In most cases pupils will be given a lunchtime detention, the children will be away from other children allowing time to reflect on the behaviour and consequences. Children will eat their lunch during the second half of lunchtime. In cases where lunchtime detentions are given, parents will be informed. In more serious cases pupils may be given an internal exclusion or an external exclusion

#### Internal Reflection Days (Internal Exclusion)

It is the responsibility of the class teacher to ensure children are receiving sufficient work to be completed throughout the day. It is also important for the class Teacher or teaching assistant to complete wellbeing check-ins with the child completing internal reflection twice a day, as this will support positive re-integration back into the classroom as well as clarifying academic work.

It is the responsibility of the Family Liaison Officer to deliver restorative intervention work during any gaps.

#### Individual Behaviour Plan (IBP)

The class teacher has the responsibility to note any reoccurring behaviour which may to a child needing an IBP. Communication with parents or carers will be sought at the earliest opportunity and all parties will be involved in creating the IBP. At the IBP meeting, a discussion will take place around triggers that have been identified, successful/unsuccessful strategies for dealing with the pupil's behaviour, rewards and consequences.

#### The Recording of Reflections Forms

R3/4 forms to be initially completed by adult who reported the incident then completed by SLT. Parents will have been contacted and their response will also be recorded.

#### Early Intervention Monitoring

The Family Liaison Team will support in identifying any social, emotional or mental health issues as early as possible. If required, the Family Liaison Team will work alongside other staff and appropriate support will be offered. This may include:

- Parent meetings
- Home visits
- Identifying any additional support required
- Early Help
- Possible referral to external agencies

#### Positive Handling

Trained staff will only physically intervene in a situation, and will use reasonable force, to prevent a pupil: committing an offence, injuring themselves or others or damaging property.

Please refer to the Positive Handling Policy and the DfE's 'Use of Reasonable Force Guidance July 2013' (<u>Use of reasonable force in schools - GOV.UK (www.gov.uk</u>)).

#### Monitoring and Review

Behaviour Management will be under constant review throughout the school on a class and individual basis. This policy document was produced in consultation with the entire School Community and is freely available to the entire school community on the school website. It will be reviewed by stakeholders on a bi-annual basis.

#### Confiscation of Inappropriate Items and Searches

If it is deemed that a pupil has brought an inappropriate item in to school, it will be confiscated by a member of staff. If a pupil brings an inappropriate item into school, the school cannot take any liability for damage or loss of the confiscated items. Inappropriate items include, but not exclusively: jewellery, mobile phones, electrical items and toys/games/cards. Teachers are permitted to confiscate items as punishment, so far as is reasonable.

If a pupil is believed to have prohibited items with them, we reserve the right to search the pupils/belongings without consent. Searches are permitted for the following prohibited items (list not exhaustive):

- Knives and weapons
- Alcohol
- Illegal drugs
- Stolen items
- Tobacco and cigarette papers
- Fireworks
- Pornographic images

- Any substance deemed to be harmful or inappropriate for the child's age
- Any item which has been used to commit an offence
- Any item which is likely to cause personal injury or damage to property

#### <u>Bullying</u>

Please refer to the anti-bullying policy. (All events to be reported on CPOMS)

#### <u>Homophobia</u>

Homophobia in any form will not be tolerated. All incidents will be classed as R3/R4 (depending on the context) and recorded. All events to be accounted for on CPOMS.

#### Race Equality Policy

The Equality, Diversity and Values Policy aims to promote Race Equality through the strategies outlined within it. Racial Discrimination is not tolerated and all incidents are recorded and dealt with in line with the School Behaviour Policy. All events to be accounted for on CPOMS.

#### Monitoring Racist Incidents

Racism will not be tolerated in any form and will be treated as level R3/4 (depending on the context). As such incidents will be recorded on CPOMS.

#### Zero-tolerance approach to child-on-child abuse including Sexual Harassment and Sexual Violence

Crowmoor Primary School will ensure that all incidents of sexual harassment and/or violence are met with a suitable response, and never ignored. Pupils are encouraged to report anything that makes them uncomfortable, no matter how 'small' they feel it might be. The school's response will be:

- Proportionate
- Considered
- Supportive
- Decided on a case-by-case basis

Appropriate sanctions to list might be:

• A verbal warning

- Reflection/Restorative practice
- Keeping the pupil behind after class to apologise to their peer
- A letter or phone call to parents
- A period of internal exclusion (length dependent on incident)
- Suspension (fixed-term exclusion) length dependent on incident or permanent exclusion

The school has procedures in place to respond to any allegations or concerns regarding a child's safety or wellbeing. These include clear processes for:

- Responding to a report
- Carrying out risk assessments, where appropriate, to help determine whether to:
  - Manage the incident internally
  - Refer to early help
  - Refer to children's social care
  - Report to the police

Please refer to our Child Protection and Safeguarding Policy for more information

#### <u>Exclusion</u>

The decision to exclude a pupil (fixed term or permanent) is taken when the pupil:

- 1. is in serious breach of the School Behaviour Policy
- 2. is likely to seriously harm the education or welfare of others in the school
- 3. after a range of alternative strategies have been tried.

Before deciding to exclude, the Head Teacher should:

- 1. consider all the relevant facts and firm evidence
- 2. allow the pupil to give their version of events
- 3. check whether an incident appeared to be provoked by racial or sexual harassment
- 4. consult others if necessary
- 5. keep detailed notes at all stages.

Exclusion can be:

- Short Fixed Term Arrangements for setting and marking of work must be made.
- Lunchtime exclusion This should be normally no more than 5 School days and must include arrangements for pupils on Free School Meals.

• Long Fixed term exclusion from School – This can be up to 45 days in a School year and arrangements for setting and marking work must be made

#### Procedures for Excluding a Pupil

For all exclusions:

- 1. Parents must be telephoned on the same day
- 2. The relevant letter must be sent to the parents within 1 day
- 3. The relevant letter with form EX1 must be sent to pupils' services

#### <u>Reintegration</u>

A process of planned support and progress reviews is in place for all pupils following exclusion. Special personalised learning plan is implemented for a short period of time to enable successful reintegration for full time into full time learning this will be reviewed weekly with behaviour lead.

#### The Governing Body Discipline Committee (Currently represented by an IEB here at Crowmoor)

- 1. exclusions of less than 15 days a meeting will be convened if parents request it
- 2. exclusions of over 15 days the Clerk must organise a meeting between day 6 and day 15
- 3. permanent exclusion- the Clerk must organise a meeting to be convened within 15 days

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#### Legislation and Statutory Requirements

This policy is based on advice from the Department for Education (DfE) on:  $\cdot$  Behaviour and discipline in schools  $\cdot$  Searching, screening and confiscation at school  $\cdot$  The Equality Act 2010  $\cdot$  Use of Reasonable Force in Schools (2013) (<u>https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/use-ofreasonable-force-in-schools</u>)  $\cdot$  Supporting pupils with medical conditions at school It is also based on the special educational needs and disability (SEND) code of practice. Sexual violence and sexual harassment between children in schools and colleges Advice for governing bodies, proprietors, headteachers, principals, senior leadership teams and designated safeguarding leads - Keeping Children Safe in Education.

Maintained schools, pupil referral units and non-maintained special schools insert:  $\cdot$  Section 175 of the Education Act 2002, which outlines a school's duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of its pupils  $\cdot$  Sections 88-94 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006, which require schools to regulate pupils' behaviour and publish a behaviour policy and written statement of behaviour principles, and give schools the authority to confiscate pupils' property

Maintained schools add:

DfE guidance explaining that maintained schools should publish their behaviour policy online. Academies, including free schools, and independent schools insert: Schedule 1 of the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014; paragraph 7 outlines a school's duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, paragraph 9 requires the school to have a written behaviour policy and paragraph 10 requires the school to have an anti-bullying strategy

Academies, including free schools, add: DfE guidance explaining that academies should publish their behaviour policy and anti-bullying strategy online; Academies, including free schools, if applicable, add/amend: This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

#### Good to be Green

All children start on a green card. If a child demonstrates behaviour above and beyond expectations, they can be awarded with a "Crowmoor Coin". If a child is displaying poor behaviour, they will be given a warning. If the behaviour continues, then they will be given a "Yellow Card"

#### Crowmoor Coins & Certificates

Children will be rewarded for above and beyond behaviour with Crowmoor Coins that they can spend at the "Crowmoor Bank" on a weekly basis. Children can spend their coins on smaller prizes, or save up the coins in their bank account to spend on greater prizes. Any children working towards our trust values, are celebrated in our praise assembly on a Friday.

#### Yellow Card

If after a verbal warning the child continues with poor behaviour, a yellow card results in 5 minutes <u>refocus</u> with class teacher at playtime. Once the child has completed their 5 <u>minute's</u> refocus conversation with the class teacher, they move back to a "Green Card".

#### **Red Card**

If the child continues to shows poor behaviour, or exhibits poor behaviour choices that need to be esculated beyond a yellow card, 15 minutes <u>reflection</u> is completed with class teacher during a playtime. Class teacher informs parents/carers about the behaviour. Once the reflection has been completed, the child returns to a "Green Card".

#### Serious Unacceptable Behaviour (SUB)

If a child shows serious unacceptable behaviour or has continued persisted with behaviour beyond a red card, a SUB form is completed and parents/carers are informed. "<u>Restorative Practice</u>" of up to 60 minutes at lunchtime or community service will be given as a response. SUB to be uploaded and shared with SLT via CPOMS.

#### Concern of Bullying

Staff member completes "Bullying Concern" form and logs onto CPOMS as an attachment. SLT complete further actions and outcomes of investigations shared with parents/carers. Incident identified as bullying if

#### Incident identified as bullying is all 3 warnings below are confirmed:

- Hurt has been deliberately/knowingly caused (physically or emotionally)
- It is a repeated incident or
   experience or the involvement of a group
- Involves an imbalance of power

#### Child-on-Child

Child-on-child abuse refers to behaviours by an individual or group, intending to physically, sexually, or emotionally hurt others. This can include bullying, sexual violence or behaviour including homophobic and/or racist language.

Staff member logs onto CPOMS under cause for concern "sexual harm" and SLT complete further action following "Brooks Traffic Light Toolkit". Parents/carers informed.

Hurtful behaviour has occurred, but it was not identified as bullying

Further action staff should take:

- Log action onto CPOMS / Identify any harm caused
- Provide support if required to all involved
- Inform parents/carers of the pupils involved
- Decide if any sanction needs to be applied in line with the school discipline/behaviour policy
- Engage and inform external agencies if necessary Outcome still logged onto CPOMS under "report of bullying"

IBP — Individual Behaviour Plan

Children with persistent poor behaviour and/or serious unacceptable behaviour will be placed on an IBP to support them within school. Frequent reviews of an IBP will be shared with parents/carers.



## Individual Behaviour Plan – Crowmoor Primary School

Nar	ne:	Date:	Review:	
	Behaviours in need of support	Known warning signs of impending behaviour	Preventative strategies	
		behaviour		
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2				
3				



## Individual Behaviour Plan – Crowmoor Primary School

		Proactive Strate		-	
Where/Wh en?	Target behavi	Strat egies	Who is respons	S t	Er
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In class					
Before school					
Assemblies					
Corridors/s hared areas					
Lunchtime					
Transition					
in the					
corridors					
Other					

### Signed:

Pupil:	Date:
Parent:	Date:
Class Teacher:	Date:
Head of School:	Date:

### S.U.B. Form

Names of children	Date
involved:	
Place: (Classroom, KS1	Time:
Playground, KS2	
Playground, Dining Hall)	
Member of staff	Year
completing S.U.B.:	Group:

Unacceptable Behaviour Displayed	Tick
Physical harm towards a child or adult	
Verbal altercation towards a child or adult	
Theft	
Damage to property	
Possession of band items	
Continuous defiance	
Bullying (including cyberbullying)	
Sexualised behaviour (including sexual violence / sexual harm)	
Homophobia	
Racism	
Others (please state)	

### <u>Details of Incident</u>

Behaviour	Consequence	
What specific behaviour did the individual do?	What happened because of the behaviour? What actions or strategies have you applied before or after the incident?	
	What specific behaviour did the	What specific       What happened because of         behaviour did the       the behaviour? What         individual do?       actions or strategies have         you applied before or after

Consequence	Date
Restorative Practice	
Meeting with parents/carers	
IBP needed or ongoing (please circle)	
Referral for external services needed	
Internal: number of days	
Suspension: number of days	

Consequence administered by	Parental/carer informed