

Behaviour for Learning Policy: Temporary Covid-19 Addendum

Introduction

This temporary Addendum to the Behaviour for Learning Policy highlights and explains important school expectations whilst also setting out all temporary changes to the policy due to Covid-19. The new routines, expectations and proxies for control will be made explicit to all students by staff in the school both before wider opening and during opening as reminders.

Scope and duration

This addendum applies during the period of the school's phased reopening and continued operation until all additional national measures for hygiene and distancing are lifted.

Additional and emphasised school rules during this time

The existing school rules as set out within the School's Behaviour for Learning Policy continue to apply. Below are some additional school rules which apply during this time:

- No spitting, coughing or sneezing, or pretending to spit, cough or sneeze, at or towards another person or another person's belongings.
- Hands must be washed regularly and properly in line with school's guidance.
- Students are expected to ensure good respiratory hygiene – following the 'catch it, bin it, kill it' approach.
- Students are expected to following social distancing throughout the school day, upon entering and leaving the site, in corridors, in lessons and at Rec and lunchtime.
- Students are expected to follow all one-way systems in operation across the school site.
- Students are expected to wear face coverings in line with the school's guidance.
- Students should not move around the classroom without permission from the teacher.
- Students should not approach the teacher's desk during lessons.

If students do not follow social distancing and any other associated health and safety measures will be considered a breach of the school's behaviour policy. The following sanctions and disciplinary procedures could be used:

- If the health and safety of other students and staff members are put at risk by the students not adhering to social distancing measures, then the parent/carer will be expected to collect the students and a fixed term exclusion will be applied in line with Exclusion policy.

Covid bullying

If bullying is suspected or reported, including any Covid-related bullying, the incident will be dealt with immediately by the member of staff who has been approached and the school's Anti-bullying Policy will be followed.

Additional mitigating factors and reasonable adjustments

We understand that some students will return to school having been exposed to adversity, including bereavement and long-term anxiety. Their experiences during lockdown could culminate in an increased prevalence of social, emotional and mental health (SEMH) concerns. The school will be happy to work with parents/carers to address these issues and offer support and guidance where a student's behaviour is impacted by any special needs or disabilities.

Behaviour outside of the school gates

The School Behaviour Policy and this addendum applies to all pupils at this school when they are in school, and in some circumstances, when they are out of school including entering and leaving school.

Further details are set out within the Behaviour for Learning Policy which can be found on the school website.