

Newchurch Community Primary

Policy Behaviour Management

Mission Statement

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Persons with Responsibility

Headteacher
SENCO
All staff

Linked Policies

Equal Opportunities
Health and Safety

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1. Principles

At Newchurch, we believe that:

- All members of the school community have a right to feel safe.
- All members of the school community should be respectful to each other and also school property at all times
- Our school rules reflect the high expectations we have of our pupils behaviour and attitudes to learning
- Developing inter-personal skills and the ability to behave in an acceptable way is a shared responsibility involving parents, teachers and members of the wider community.
- Staff (and other adults) should play an important part in being good 'role models', whose demeanour can positively influence pupils' perceptions.
- Children develop best in a positive atmosphere that offers praise and encouragement in a way that they feel valued.
- In dealing with incidents of unacceptable behaviour, staff (and children) recognise the importance of being fair, valuing opinions and being consistent about procedures and sanctions / outcomes.

2. Implementation

The principles outlined are reflected in our curriculum, the learning environment, approaches to negative behaviour (including physical and emotional bullying) and the ways in which good behaviour is celebrated or rewarded.

3. The Learning Environment

A supportive, structured classroom environment plays a vital role in developing appropriate skills and attitudes. Features include:

- Children taking responsibility for setting and keeping school rules.
- Flexible groupings in class that foster better communication between pupils, and encourage team building e.g. use of the Kagan structures.
- Children in class may negotiate their own class rewards.
- Good behaviour is celebrated by written comments, stickers or praise points in books, and / or homework diaries (reading records) that pupils take home.
- In the weekly Celebration Assembly good behaviour is acknowledged in public; staff and pupils may nominate worthy recipients of rewards including certificates and have 'hands' linked to the core values displayed in the hall.

4.0 Rewards

Every child will be rewarded for good behaviour, attainment, achievement and a positive attitude to their learning. Pupils will be rewarded for their efforts by earning praise points. These will be linked to our core values.

4.1 Praise points

Each child earns praise points when they demonstrate core values when they adhere to school rules and when they show outstanding behaviour. One praise point is earned for demonstrating the above. The child is only in competition with themselves and this is to encourage self believe and self-esteem. These praise points once given cannot be taken away from the child.

4.2 Certificate for praise points

For 50 praise points the children will be awarded a bronze certificate in assembly, for 100 a silver certificate will be awarded; for 200 a gold certificate ; 500 a platinum and for 1000 praise points a diamond certificate. Appropriate prizes may be given for children who reach gold , platinum or diamond.

5.0 The Management of Negative Behaviour

Strategy for coping with first cause for concern:

Verbal disapproval followed by a reminder of the teacher's stated requirements.

Strategy for coping with second cause for concern

Opportunity to reflect on behaviour (reflection chair/quiet corner and completion of reflection record).

Strategy for coping with third cause for concern

Record the behaviour, note to parent (recorded in book)

Strategy for coping with forth cause for concern

Child sent to senior member of staff and the member of staff contacts their parents and the child explains his/her behaviour to parent/carer. The senior member of staff gives the parent the option to come into school to discuss the matter further. The child will spend an agreed amount of time working outside of the classroom.

Further action (As required)

Ask parents to come in

IBP

Internal exclusion

Fixed term exclusion (in extreme circumstances).

Permanent exclusion (in extreme circumstances).

5.1 Behaviour requiring a change of strategy

If further action is required due to a continuation of the negative behaviour and work-related activities then the Head and SENCO should be informed and an action plan will be discussed. This will include the parents and will involve a close monitoring of work and a setting of targets for positive reinforcement. Severely disruptive behaviour, aggression towards others or challenges to a teacher's authority should be referred to the Head immediately and the following procedures will be implemented.

Parents will be contacted for discussion with the Headteacher and class teacher. This may lead to a request for outside agency involvement.

Following these steps the parents will be warned that further serious incidents would lead to a consideration of a fixed term exclusion.

5.2 Internal Exclusion

An internal exclusion is a strategy used that requires a pupil to be removed from class and to work in isolation until their behaviour improves and any issues resolved.

5.3 Exclusion

5.4 Fixed term exclusion

A fixed term exclusion will be given when the behaviour policy has been breached and evidence is clear that keeping the pupil in school will seriously harm the welfare of the pupil or others in the school. Only the Headteacher may exclude a pupil.

5.5 Re-integration. Arrangements will be made for a reintegration interview with the pupil's parents/carers following the expiry of a fixed term exclusion. The purpose of this meeting is to discuss with parental support how to support their child to ensure their behaviour improves and so prevent further exclusions.

5.6 Permanent exclusion

A decision to exclude a pupil permanently should be taken only in response to serious breaches of the school's behaviour policy; and if allowing the pupil to remain in school would seriously harm the education or welfare of the pupil or others in the school. Permanent exclusion is an acknowledgement by the school that it has exhausted all available strategies for dealing with the child and should be used as a last resort. There will, however, be exceptional circumstances where, in the head teacher's judgment it is appropriate to permanently exclude a child for a first / 'one off' offence. These might include:

- a) Serious actual or threatened violence against another pupil or a member of staff;
- b) Sexual abuse or assault;
- c) Supplying an illegal drug; or
- d) Carrying an offensive weapon

These instances are not exhaustive, but indicate the severity of such offences and the fact that such behaviour can affect the discipline and well-being of the school community.

6. Allegations against staff.

Any false allegation made against a member of staff will be treated as a serious offence and may result in exclusion.

This policy is reviewed bi-annually.