

Behaviour Policy 2020 Covid-19 Addendum

At Sampford Peverell C of E Primary School we aim to maintain a secure, caring and stimulating environment in which children are encouraged to have respect for themselves and each other. Whilst the expectations in Sampford Peverell C of E Behaviour Policy remain pertinent, it is necessary, in light of the Covid-19 pandemic, to make some adjustments for the safety of all pupils and staff. These adjustments are set out below:

Arrivals, Departures and Moving round the school.

Children will enter school through the car park gates. Children will enter individually, keeping a two metre distance from any other individual. At their designated home time, children will leave the building via the main entrance gates. They will leave one at a time when their parent has come to collect them, again keeping their distance.

Movement around the school will be limited. There will be a one-way system in place around the school site. Children will follow an adult from their pod on their designated route.

Handwashing and Hygiene

Children will be expected to follow all handwashing and hygiene routines while in school. Children will wash hands/use antibacterial gel as soon as they enter school, before and after eating/playtime and at regular intervals during the day.

We ask children to follow the catch it, bin it, kill it, mantra when in school, if they need to cough or sneeze, they should use a tissue or crook of their arm. Tissues must be placed in a lidded bin and then hands washed/antibacterial gel used. Children will be reminded not to touch their face, mouth, nose or eyes while at school.

Should a child refuse to follow these routines, disciplinary procedures and sanctions will be used (see below).

Social Distancing

Children who are old enough will be expected to socially distance from their peers and adults in school and on the playground/field at all times. Should a child refuse to follow social distancing measures, disciplinary procedures and sanctions will be used (see below).

We understand socially distancing may be more difficult for younger children; they will be encouraged wherever possible to keep a distance from peers and adults, however, we understand this may not always be possible.

Toilets

Children will be encouraged to use the toilets one at a time. When a child has finished in the toilet, they must wash their hands.

Rewards

The House Point system will not be in use during Covid-19. Instead children will receive reward points within their bubbles, which will be used to earn Golden Time during the week. Teachers and Teaching Assistants will give points to praise individuals for good work, attitude or behaviour. Positive praise and encouragement will continue to be our main form of recognising and celebrating good behaviour. Unfortunately, walking through school to show their work to the Headteacher or other adult for acknowledgement and praise during this time will not be possible.

Sanctions

The sanction plan that all teachers follow within school, has been amended. Time out is no longer an option due to staff capacity and safety measures in place for Covid-19. The plan for sanctions is shown below:

- 1. Verbal reminder eg: stop tapping, thank-you.
- 2. Verbal reprimand-stop tapping or you are choosing to lose some of your playtime.
- 3. Withdrawal of privilege (loss of: some playtime, a treat)
- 4. Loss of all playtime

If a child's behaviour is deemed high risk, for example, refusing to adhere to safety measures, such as, hand washing, social distancing, remaining in their pods or deliberate behaviours that put themselves or others at risk, such as spitting or deliberately coughing at people, then the following sanctions and disciplinary procedures could be used:

- 1. Parent/Carer will be called to collect child from school immediately
- 2. Headteacher will call parent/carer to review the situation and a decision will be made as to whether the onsite education offer will be withdrawn in favour of the online/virtual.

Positive Handling & Restraint

There can be times when a pupil's behaviour requires staff to physically support them to ensure their own safety and/or the safety of others. This can require the use of more close contact. Where a child may need very close contact, it is imperative that parents know that the use of PPE will be used to help avoid cross contamination or any potential virus spread.

In the event of an extreme situation where an adult may need to intervene immediately to ensure a child is safe, there may be contact without PPE.

In the case of a child being at risk, putting others at risk or damaging property the school will follow the disciplinary procedures and sanctions (see above).