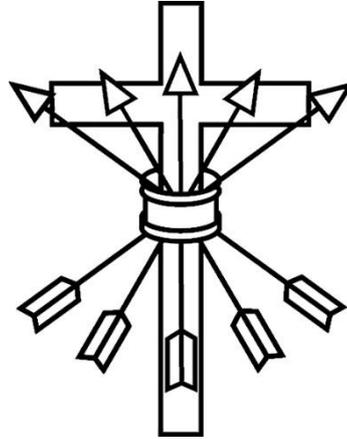


WADDESDON CHURCH OF ENGLAND SCHOOL



BEHAVIOUR POLICY CORONAVIRUS ADDENDUM

Policy Statement

The Behaviour policy outlines the ways in which we maintain good order, discipline and encourage self-control at Waddesdon. In order that our students can live life to the full, we expect members of our community to uphold and respect high standards of behaviour so that everyone can learn and to behave in a way which is dignified.

Clear boundaries and high standards for behaviour enable our students to flourish now and in the future; they also enable our most vulnerable students to feel safe. These aims also support our staff in enjoying and thriving in their work.

This addendum outlines additional matters specific to COVID regulations.

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1. Scope

This addendum applies until further notice.

It sets out changes and exceptions to our normal Behaviour policy. Pupils, parents and staff should continue to follow our normal Behaviour policy with respect to anything not covered in this addendum.

We may need to amend or add to this addendum as circumstances or official guidance changes. We will communicate any changes to staff, parents and pupils.

2. Expectations for pupils in school

New rules

When pupils are in school, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below to keep themselves and the rest of the school community safe.

Staff will be familiar with these rules and make sure they are followed consistently.

Parents should also read the rules and ensure that their child follows the new procedures that have been put in place. Parents should contact Mr Jones (Deputy Headteacher) if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements and support them to integrate back into school life.

School instructions on hygiene

Pupils will be expected to:

- report any signs or symptoms of coronavirus to the school before attending the site
- follow the government's isolation and self-quarantining guidance

- wash hands thoroughly and regularly and use hand sanitiser that is placed around the school, in addition to washrooms, where necessary
- adhere to the school's revised rules and procedures on the use of the toilets and hand washing/drying facilities
- maintain good hygiene to protect themselves and others
- use tissues to catch sneezes and coughs and dispose of them safely in designated bins provided for the purpose
- Avoid touching their mouth, nose and eyes with hands, where possible

Rules about coughing and spitting at others

Deliberately coughing and spitting at others in any circumstances is strictly prohibited. It is potentially a criminal offence to threaten others with infection by coronavirus, for example by coughing or spitting in their direction. Such behaviour will not be tolerated and in addition to sanctions being applied by the school, may also result in the pupil being reported to the police.

Following instructions on social distancing and staying within "bubbles"

The school has put arrangements in place to minimise children and staff groups mixing unnecessarily in order to help prevent the transmission of coronavirus. This is based on government guidance, local arrangements, and school risk assessments.

- All pupils must adhere to the government advice on social distancing wherever possible, for their own safety and for the safety of others
- Pupils will not normally be permitted to mix with pupils in other bubbles at school and must not do so without prior permission
- We also encourage pupils to avoid mixing in breach of the social distancing rules out of school in order to protect the health of their groups and the school community

Moving around the school as per specific instructions

The school has put in place restrictions on the way pupils move around the school site to help limit the transmission of coronavirus. This includes new requirements to:

- Follow one-way systems
- Wear a mask to cover mouth and nose while in the corridors
- Only use year group allocated toilets
- Use the dining room at set times only
- Spend break time in the year group allocated zone

Use of toilets

Pupils must use the toilets for their year group and wash their hands for at least 20 seconds before and after using the school toilets.

Rules about using and/or sharing equipment or apparatus

The school has put in place rules to prevent pupils sharing equipment and/or apparatus, wherever possible, in order to help prevent the transmission of coronavirus.

Pupils will be advised of the rules for the daily use of equipment and apparatus, and those rules related to specific lessons or activities, and will be expected to abide by them for their own safety and for the safety of others.

Pupils are not to share personal items, including e.g. food, drinking bottles, cutlery, items brought in from home.

Amended expectations about breaks times

The school has put in place new arrangements in respect of break times with allocated areas for each year group.

Consequences of breach of the above additional rules and expectations

The additional rules and expectations will collectively form part of the school rules (the New Rules). Any breaches of discipline in respect of the New Rules may result in appropriate sanctions being applied in accordance with the school's policy.

Whilst the school acknowledges that this is a difficult time for many pupils and that there will be a period of adjustment to the "new normal", the New Rules are in place to for the safety of pupils and for the whole school community.

Modifications to Rewards and Sanction system

When considering the appropriate sanction in respect of breach of the New Rules, the risks posed to others' welfare by an individual's behaviour will be assessed. This may include consideration of how any action taken, sanctions applied or inaction may affect that individual's welfare and, where appropriate, how it may affect other pupils' welfare and / or that of the school community as a whole.

Notwithstanding the above, the following actions are likely to be considered to be serious breaches of discipline:

- deliberately coughing/spitting on other pupils/staff or a member of the school community
- persistent or serious breach of the government's social distancing guidance while on the school site (reasonable adjustments will be made for younger pupils and those with SEND and/or disabilities where appropriate)
- mixing with pupils outside allocated groups or bubbles in school

Changed rules

Until further notice, we will alter the following school rules:

- Expectations for attendance will be altered in line with Government expectations
- Expectations for uniform – allowance for students to wear PE kit on days when they have Games lessons

Reasonable adjustments in place for pupils with more challenging behaviour and special educational needs and disabilities (SEND)

Adjustments may include:

- Adjusted timetables
- Adjusted attendance expectations
- Ability to attend Enrichment as needed for support / guidance
- Agreed exceptions to protocol eg being permitted to wear a different kind of face covering; using particular cloakrooms etc

3. Expectations for pupils at home

Remote learning rules

If pupils are not in school, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below.

- Be contactable during lesson times – although taking into account that pupils may not always be in front of a device the entire time
- Complete work to the deadline set by teachers
- Seek help if they need it, from teachers or teaching assistants
- Alert teachers if they are not able to complete work
- Use proper online conduct, such as using appropriate language in messages

During live lessons, pupils are expected to behave appropriately by:

- Being on time
- Having books and stationery ready before class begins
- Muting their microphone when asked
- Turning on their camera when asked
- Raising their hand to ask questions, or using the relevant online class participation feature
- Refraining from eating or drinking during the live lesson unless given permission by their teacher
- Not disrupting the lesson for others (for example, by messaging about something other than school work)

Dealing with problems

If there are any problems with pupils adhering to rules around remote learning, including if they don't engage with the remote learning set for them, we will contact their parents and discuss support mechanisms we can put in place to help them access their curriculum.

4. Monitoring arrangements

We will review this policy as guidance from the local authority or Department for Education is updated. At every review, it will be approved by the governing board.

5. Links with other policies

This policy links to the following policies and procedures:

- Safeguarding and Child Protection policy
- Behaviour policy
- Health and Safety policy
- Exclusions policy
- Anti-bullying policy
- Authentic Praise policy