

Covid 19 – Addendum to Behaviour for Learning Policy, September 2020

This is an addendum to the school's current Behaviour for Learning Policy which is available <http://www.st-hildas.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/02/Behaviour-for-Learning-Policy-Jan-2020.pdf>

Aim

The aim of this update is to ensure that everyone knows and understands the ways in which we must modify our behaviour to keep everyone safe from the risk of infection:

- to ensure that were behaviour is unsafe, we are able to change that behaviour quickly, effectively and fairly
- to help us to understand that our first priority is teaching safe behaviour, and that different approaches may be appropriate when differentiating between inadvertent or forgetful unsafe behaviour and deliberately unsafe.

The main aim of these rules is to reduce risk of spreading the coronavirus, but we recognise that things can go wrong when children are learning new habits. Should this happen, **staff will consider what risk has been posed, and whether any immediate mitigation needs to take place (e.g. washing of hands), before responding to the problem as an opportunity for further learning (e.g. by reminding and reinforcing the rules or by discussing the risks of that behaviour).**

Where a child behaves in a deliberately unsafe way (for example, by deliberately coughing or spitting on someone, or by moving into someone else's class "bubble"), the school will take this very seriously. Again, the first course of action is to consider whether any immediate mitigation is necessary. The problem will still be approached as an opportunity for further learning, but will also prompt urgent discussion with the pupil's parents or carers and could result in the student being escorted offsite that day.

It is important to maintain the high behaviour standards we set in St. Hilda's CE High School.

Expectations of pupils are:

- Students must enter the school building via their allocated entrance
- Students will have to sanitise their hands on entering the school building
- Social distancing should be maintained wherever possible.
- Handwashing should take place throughout the school day
- Students must stay in their allocated rooms unless directed elsewhere by staff.
- Each room year group will have staggered break and lunch times so students must stay with their bubble/class each day.
- Students must stay in their timetabled classrooms.
- Students must sanitise their hands using the equipment by each classroom door on their way into the room and upon leaving the room.
- Students must use their own equipment and not share with anybody else.
- Students must sanitise their hands upon leaving the school building.
- Students must report any concerns to a member of staff.

- Students should avoid touching their mouth/eyes/face
- If students cough or sneeze, they should follow the catch it/bin it/kill it procedure of using a tissue and making sure it is disposed of properly in a bin. They should always sanitise their hands after disposing of their tissue
- Face coverings must be worn in all areas inside school apart from when in the classroom and when they are eating. Current advice is that face coverings do not have to be worn in lessons due to the safeguarding measures currently in place for classroom situations. In their outside space, when the whistle is blown, students put their face covering on and line up in their houses. They must wear their face covering when entering school in the morning and when leaving school if they are going to be queuing at the bus stops. This will not apply to those students who are exempt from wearing face coverings for medical reasons

Expectations of parents are:

- To explain to their daughter/son the requirement to maintain social distancing when travelling to and from school especially if using public transport and use a face covering (unless exempt from wearing one)
- Ensure that your daughter/son has a face covering that they can wear in school in addition to a face covering they will use when travelling to and from school (unless exempt from wearing one). Please ensure they have a sealable bag to store their face covering in when it is not being worn
- Drop off your child(ren) no earlier than 8:00am at their designated entrance. Please do not congregate at the school entrance/exit points when waiting for your daughter/son at the end of the day
- To make an appointment via telephone or email (via info@st-hildas.co.uk) prior to entering the school site.
- Only one parent/carer to enter the site at any time.
- To wash/sanitise their hands on arrival to and departure from the school building.
- To support the school by collecting/authorising their child to leave if the rules are not being followed and complete a reintegration meeting in person or virtually.
- Collect your child as soon as possible if they present ill or with COVID 19 symptoms
- To wear a face covering when dropping/collecting your daughter/son from school if you cannot maintain a 2m distance from others

Behaviour Sanctions Protocols from September 2020:

1. Warning/Reminder – a verbal warning about the school rule not being adhered to.
2. 2nd Warning/Reminder – a further verbal warning about the school rule not being adhered to and informed that a member of the leadership team will be called for to give the 3rd warning. Students may if needed, be sent out of class at this point until an appropriate time when they can be spoken to without the rest of the class being disrupted



3. A member of the leadership team to be called to give the 3rd Warning to remind the student that if they persist in ignoring the rules, parents will be contacted and student may be sent off site.
4. Removal – a member of the leadership team/pastoral team will come to the classroom and remove the pupil and contact home. A 'meeting' will need to be held (virtually/face to face/telephone) before returning to school.
5. Should a student persist with defiant behaviour the Headteacher can consider whether the student will need to resume their online learning from home.

If during unstructured time or during lessons any student is caught deliberately acting maliciously in relation to social distancing/Covid prevention measures put in place by the school (coughing, spitting, crossing bubbles) or failing to follow the instructions of a member of staff, they will be referred to the Senior Leadership Team immediately. The Headteacher will be informed and the student may be sent home from school and a parental meeting arranged. A fixed term exclusion may be used for students whose actions deliberately risk the health and safety of others in the school.

Failure to wear a face covering as directed, unless there is a medical reason not to do so, will result in the student being sent home due a breach of H&S