Return to School Charter

This School Charter contains a temporary behaviour policy to cover the period in which a phased re-opening of the school is in place, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. All matters raised have one motivation: the safety of children, parents and staff.

This document should be read, mindful of our existing behaviour code, which we keep at the heart of everything we do.

In and around the school, we expect children to keep to this simple code:

- Ready
- Respectful
- Safe

We will continue to expect the same high standards of behaviour during our phased re-opening of the school. For familiarity and consistency, teachers will refer to the same behaviour steps.

If a child needs to reflect on their behaviour choice, time-out in a buddy class will not be possible. Staff can contact parents/carers, requesting that they support the school by enabling this reflection to happen at home. If a time-out is required immediately, staff can use the radio available in each Bubble to call SLT/Pastoral Support. Time-out will take place in the R & R Room – the reflection space being cleaned before and after.

To keep everyone as safe as possible, we ask that our children follow these rules, in addition to our existing expectations:

**School arrival and departure**

- Follow precisely the guidance of staff on entering/exiting the school site in a staggered fashion, taking the routes exactly prescribed. You will be told the timings to adhere to.
- Enter/exit the school building as directed and without rushing/running or getting close to others.
Social distancing

- Always remain alert and try to be mindful of where others are positioned, following suggested social distancing rules of 2m.

- Walk sensibly when moving around the school – both inside and outside. We do not want you to run into others, so take care in corridors and when going around corners of buildings.

- Follow the directions explained to you when moving along corridors – we will have a one-way system for you to adhere to.

- However challenging, follow the advice of staff and only socialise with pupils within your Bubble. Do not go running up to greet other friends from different groups/Bubbles – to keep you safe we need to reduce who you mix with. A friendly wave from afar will show your friend that you are thinking of them and they will understand; all groups will be told the same messages.

Hand washing and hygiene requirements

- Carry out all thorough handwashing and sanitising that is asked of you and do so as frequently as requested, without complaint.

- Be mindful that if you ask to go to the toilet, you may have to wait for other children to return first.

- As before, if you need to sneeze or cough, use a tissue and dispose of it immediately in a classroom or playground bin with a lid (‘catch it, bin it, kill it’). If you do not have a tissue, sneeze or cough into your elbow.

- Avoid touching your mouth, nose and eyes with your hands.

- Avoid touching anybody else. You need to remain 2m apart – your assigned adult will ensure that you do not bunch up in queues.
• You must never cough towards another person.

• Spitting is never permitted on our school site at any time.

• Any pupil deliberately coughing or spitting at other pupils or staff will receive a sanction - exclusions may apply.

Classroom resources

• Use only your allocated classroom desk and chair.

• You must not get out of your place to go and collect stationery, sharpen a pencil, or for any other matter – put your hand up if you have a need and an adult will tell you how to manage the situation.

• Never share a water bottle with anyone. Ensure yours is clearly named and that it remains on your table.

• Do not share stationery or equipment with anyone. You will be provided with your own basic equipment which is to be kept in your personal stationery wallet.

• Do not bring in any resources from home – a water bottle, sun hat, sun cream and coat is all that you require. No bags in school please.

• If you are in Year 6 and you bring a mobile phone and keys, your class teacher will look after these for you.

• Place your coat on the back of your chair.

Feeling unwell

• If you feel unwell, tell an adult about your symptoms as soon as you experience them.
Playtime

- Be patient about playtimes; these will be staggered, and your Bubble will have playtime together.

- No hand-to-hand contact games.

- Each Bubble will be provided with their own playground equipment which will be cleaned at the end of each playtime.

Now is the time we need everyone to work together to keep safe. Be your best self – look after others and yourself by following all these rules, our normal school behaviour expectations and by demonstrating our school values.

If your behaviour and actions put others at risk, an adult will phone your family – exclusions may apply.

Uniform

We ask that pupils wear summer school uniform or school PE kit for their return to school. Trainers/plimsolls are the suggested footwear. Please wash/change clothes daily. If the uniform is not dry for the next day, please wear plain clothes (as close to school uniform as possible). If a pupil has grown out of any parts of their school uniform since we closed in March, they should wear something as similar as possible.

Long hair should be tied back, as usual and jewellery (except for religious items and one pair of plain stud ear-rings) is not permitted. We have clocks in all classrooms, so you may prefer to leave your watch at home.

This charter, containing additional references to behaviour, should be read in conjunction with the school’s existing behaviour policy, as published online. This document may be updated considering any further Government guidance.