

Inspire, Believe, Achieve

# **BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING POLICY**

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#### Introduction

Milldown CE Academy is committed to ensuring that all children make excellent progress, develop outstanding character and, as a result, they are successful in their journey through Milldown. Through our vision of 'Inspire-Believe-Achieve', we want children that don't just simply leave their education and join the world but instead make a difference to it.

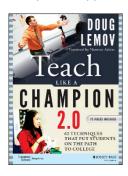
We believe that anyone who is successful (in the broadest sense of the word) must develop self-discipline and be given autonomy to make the right choices. We also want our children to understand their role in developing a common purpose across our school community and beyond whilst still allowing their individual uniqueness to shine through. We believe that our children will achieve this through clear and consistent routines, high expectations, the teaching of our Christian values, and clear and consistent consequences.

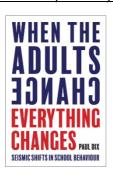
This policy has been created to provide a framework for staff, pupils and parents in developing and maintaining an ethos of exemplary conduct. Such an ethos will enable pupils to work in, and have responsibility for, a calm, purposeful and orderly environment. It will enable staff to work in, and have responsibility for, an environment where learning and teaching are respected and valued. Finally, the policy will allow parents to have confidence their child is learning in an environment and is safe, respected and equally valued.

The policy is underpinned by the Pupil Code of Conduct as this sets out our expectations of pupils. **The Code of Conduct is not an aspiration but a consistent expectation of every pupil**. We believe in our pupils and we believe each and every one of them wants to conduct themselves to the highest standards and that these high standards will serve them well both at school and into adulthood. The Code of Conduct will enable pupils to develop habits of excellence and foster a sense of self control and respect for the rights of others.

We maintain high standards of behaviour by "sweating the small stuff". This means teachers being consistent about routines and detail. Our approach to behaviour will be underpinned by the strong nurturing relationships between teachers and pupils, and through close links to our families. The principles and techniques by which we will create a strong classroom culture are set out within this policy.

As always, our approach has been underpinned by educational research, a summary of which is shown below:









## Our approach can be summarised as follows:

#### 5 Pillars:

These 5 pillars underpin everything we do:

- Consistent, calm, adult behaviour
- First attention for best conduct
- Relentless routines
- Scripting difficult interventions (the '30 second script')
- Restorative follow up

## Each day every adult will:

- Remind pupils of the high expectations of our school
- Engage in caring conversations
- Pass on the positive

#### 1. THE EXPECTED BEHAVIOUR EACH DAY BY ALL CHILDREN

#### 1.1 Our code of conduct

# will strive to ensure that Milldown CE Academy is a great school for everyone by:

- Wearing my uniform with pride.
- Following staff instructions.
- Speaking calmly and respectfully. We are a 'no shouting' school.
- Being polite and respectful at all times.
- Keeping the school clean and tidy.
- Always being ready for learning.
- Focusing on learning, making sure I do not distract myself or others.
- Trying my best at all times.
- Moving around the school quietly and respectfully.
- Greeting others, including adults, respectfully and with good manners.

We summarise this as being Ready, Respectful, Safe

#### 1.2 Core Routines

Routines are familiar actions or approaches that a teacher or a child uses on a regular basis in order to set the right climate for learning. Routines should be practiced until they become classroom norms.

In all cases it is important to define the **behaviour** and **responses** we expect for each routine with children. **Behaviour is taught not told**.

"Your instincts will tell you that you are wasting time [teaching routines], but the opposite is true. Look at it as making an investment."

- Doug Lemov, 'Teach Like a Champion'

## 1.3. Principles behind routines

- Low narration: Once they are fully taught (though they must be explicitly taught to begin with), a good routine needs only short prompts and reminders. These are often non-verbal. This lets teachers acknowledge success.
- Least invasive intervention: When children have slipped and are not behaving as you want them to, use non-verbal cues and/or correct them anonymously.
- **Plan what you want**: Be specific and teach routines e.g. how to hand books out, how to enter the classroom, how to line up, how to engage with partner talk, how to get ready for learning.
- **Tight transitions**: Interruptions are not part of the procedure: plan for and practise routines until the transition is tight and interruption-free.
- Procedure is culture: Shared routines must feel like they belong to everyone in your classroom.
  Teachers can change the culture by creating and teaching routines.

#### 2. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT AND PRAISE

We want children to be motivated by the intrinsic value of achievement; however, we are committed to acknowledging children for developing good learning habits. Children will be told individually and collectively (as a teaching group, class or year group) when they have met the expectations for good behaviour. We want them and their parents to know how they are doing with what is expected of them. Good behaviour will be recognised both informally and formally.

- Precise Praise
- Values tokens
- Text messages sent home and personal phone calls to parents
- Proud pegs in every classroom to celebrate work the child is proud of
- Half termly 'Celebration Assemblies'
- Annual Awards Paulley and Endeavour Cup
- Student Leadership School President and Vice President

#### 2.1 Precise Praise

Staff will reinforce behaviours as specifically as possible.

# **Differentiate Acknowledgement from Praise:**

- **Acknowledge** when expectations have been met ("Thank you for being ready on time"; "I see that we're ready on time.")
- **Praise** when expectations have been exceeded ("I love that some people are going back and checking even though I didn't ask you to.")

## Praising when expectations have simply been met undercuts those expectations

#### **Modulate and Vary Your Delivery:**

Generally, privacy is beneficial with critical feedback (as private as possible). With positives, unpredictability of form can make the feedback memorable and provide "cover" for critical private interactions. Pay attention to volume and degree of privacy and vary your delivery.

# **Use Learning Driven Praise:**

You can (and should) reinforce not only behavioural and social actions but academic ones as well. ("I see people carefully lining up the decimal place as they work. Well remembered.")

Note: This implies that positive reinforcement is something you can strategically plan into your lessons and your culture more broadly.

#### **Genuine Positives:**

Children discount insincere praise and often read it as an indication that their work is inferior. Balance positive reinforcement with constructive criticism. Be honest and constructive. Talk to children directly (a quiet, "Thanks for working so hard, Jack.") as often as you talk 'about' them ("Jack is really showing 'Inspire-Believe-Achieve' today!").

## 2.2 Attitude to learning - Showing 'Inspire-Believe-Achieve'

This will be celebrated every half-term through a 'celebration assembly' where parents are invited to attend. Children that have gone above and beyond to live out our school values will be recognised and celebrated.

**2.3 Text Messages and Personal Phone Calls:** Text messages or a personal phone call will be used for particular achievements and are given in recognition of noteworthy effort or success. For example, continued outstanding effort, an act of outstanding citizenship and continued demonstration of our school vision and values.

#### 2.4 Team of the Term

Each child belongs to a particular team: Sycamore, Birch, Chestnut, Elm, Willow or Beech. 'Values tokens' (see above) earned by children are added to their team's total.

As a reward for earning the most tokens each half-term, the winning team will be provided with a celebration afternoon. This may consist of party food and games.

## 2.5 Annual Awards

Name	What is the Award for?	When is the Award given?
The Paulley Cup (KS1)  The Endeavour Cup (KS2)	Awarded to a child who has consistently adhered to the academy values, lived out our vision of 'Inspire-Believe-Achieve' and who has demonstrated sustained excellence in academic achievement and/or progress.	End of year assembly at St Peter & St Paul church

The Community Cup	<b>Community Cup</b> Awarded to any member of our school community who has	
	consistently gone above and beyond for the local, national or	
	global community, living out our vision of 'Inspire-Believe-	
	Achieve'.	

#### 3. CONSEQUENCES OF POOR BEHAVIOUR

To help prevent the need for consequences, staff will ensure the following:

- Positive relationships have been established with all children and staff.
- Expectations have been made crystal clear and the desired behaviours have been taught to the children.
- In the case of children requiring a slightly different approach, e.g. children with SEND, EHCPs, looked after children, those with significant pastoral needs, individual behaviour plans may be required where potential 'triggers' to poor behaviour are explored and managed. These children may fall outside of the remit of this policy.

At Milldown CE Academy, we aim to develop an aspirational culture where pupils are engaged in all aspects of school life and choose to behave in an appropriate manner. These behaviours are modelled by all adults at all times and children are supported to make the right choices by the adults in school. **Behaviour is taught not told.** 

Pupils thrive best where there are respectful, trusting and appropriate interactions between staff and pupils. As adults and professionals, we all have a responsibility to ensure our interactions with children are measured and respectful.

Staff will need to be proactive and positive in their approach to be ahviour management. However, we understand there will be occasions when children don't make the right choices.

Teachers must not race through and issue consequences too quickly: the principal aim is to ensure children' learning is uninterrupted. Teachers need to make sure children are clear on what will happen if they choose not to follow school expectations and to ensure that as adults we deal with poor behaviour fairly and consistently.

# What do we mean by poor behaviour?

## **Definition:**

At Milldown CE Academy we want to ensure that disruption to children's learning is minimal and a rarity.

The typical types of lesson disruption include:

- talking unnecessarily or chatting
- calling out without permission
- being slow to start work or follow instructions
- showing a lack of respect for each other and staff
- not engaging in the lesson, e.g. by not showing 'STAR'

If a child disrupts the learning for themselves or others the teacher will follow the behaviour policy and assign the appropriate technique and/or consequence.

## Dealing with disruption:

- **3.1.1** 'Teacher's Toolkit'/Positive learning environment
- **3.1.2** Consequences for poor behaviour
- **3.1.3** Consequences for continued poor behaviour

#### 3.1.1 'Teacher's Toolkit'/Positive learning environment

Teaching and support staff will create a classroom environment that empowers pupils to show exemplary behaviours. This environment will be created through the implementation of the routines/techniques below. All staff will have training in the key routines and they will be an integral part of our induction process, via the staff code of conduct, and ongoing CPD.

**Lesson routines:** Routines are familiar actions or approaches that a teacher or a student uses on a regular basis in order to set the right climate for learning and to aid efficiency. Please see 'Core Routines' for more information.

- a) Least invasive intervention: We never want to give children a stage when they are poorly behaved, we want to narrate the positives and (when appropriate to do so) quietly correct the negatives. When children have slipped and are not behaving as you want them to, use non-verbal cues and/or correct them anonymously, e.g. a student swinging on his or her chair can be corrected by a non-verbal signal or a gentle tap on the back of the chair as you walk past.
- b) **STAR:** we use the acronym STAR to summarise the behaviours we expect during lessons and must be taught to the children. **S**it up straight, arms folded; **T**rack the speaker; **A**sk & answer questions like an expert; **R**eady and respectful at all times.
- c) **No Hands Up:** this strategy increasing the likelihood that all children are listening and thinking when a question is asked because there is an expectation that it could be them that has to answer. It is not a 'gothca!' to catch out children who appear to not be listening.
- d) **No Opt Out:** It is important that all children are expected to answer questions and actively take part in lessons. If a student cannot/doesn't' want to answer a question, ensure that they do not have the opportunity of opting out. Appropriate questioning strategies will help avoid this happening and ensure it is done positively.
- e) Say It Better: Set a high standard of correctness do not accept partially right answers, even if they have tried hard. Be positive and supportive but always hold out for the correct answer. "We're almost there. Can you find the last piece?" or "That's a good start, now I want you to use this mathematical vocabulary."
- f) **Presentation Matters:** If we ensure that children take pride in the format of their written work and the oral communication, children will want to do better and will model our school vision Inspire-Believe-Achieve.
- g) **Seating Plans:** Seating plans, including talk partners, can be an effective way of managing your classroom space. Use seating plans as a means of supporting children and also a way to ensure that you have your most concerning children apart but in a place where you can be proactive in challenging their behaviour before it effects the learning in your class.
- h) **Step to success:** Through small-steps learning, guided practice and clear modelling, lessons meet the needs of all children. Ensuring the lessons are engaging and children have success will help ensure appropriate behaviour.
- i) **Strong voice/body posture:** Varying tone, pace and/or posture can help to indicate your disapproval of a certain behaviour without unduly interrupting the learning during your lesson.

- j) **Tidy room:** There are reasons why it is important to have a tidy classroom. A tidy classroom sets a good example for children and implies that you care about your work, their learning and the work they complete.
- **k) Don't Dive in:** After direct instruction and guided practice, lessons will then sometimes involve an element of independent work. Once the task/activity has been set don't rush in to help and support a child. Instead wait, observe and allow children to begin their work. This allows the adult (s) to ensure all are actively engaged in their learning and develops independence.
- **front-load instructions:** be explicit over how you want children to do something before giving the task/instruction, e.g. "With voices off and by yourself, write down the meaning of...." "Without calling out....." "Showing STAR, talk to your partner about...."

## Further detail can be seen in appendix 1 and 2.

# 3.1.2 Consequences for poor behaviour

At Milldown CE Academy we a clear consequence system for dealing with children who have behaved poorly within lessons. We are keenly aware that our pupils will make mistakes and this is part of the learning process and growing up. Where pupils act in a manner that is detrimental to their own learning or well-being or that of others there will be consequences to deter this behaviour followed up with supportive work to ensure long term changes in behaviour. This may also apply for incidents that happen off-site, before or after school.

Type of behaviour	Consequence/Technique		
Disruptive behaviour:	Positive framing of expectations to whole class, e.g. "I can see nearly		
<ul> <li>Talking unnecessarily or chatting</li> </ul>	everyone talking quietly to their partner about this question, now we want everybody doing it."		
<ul> <li>Calling out without permission</li> </ul>	Non-verbal: This should be a 'look' followed by positive framing instruction (e.g. indicate sitting up straight). It may involve the adult strategically moving towards the child and placing a hand on their table.		
<ul> <li>Being slow to start work or follow instructions</li> </ul>	<u>Verbal</u> : private conversation – explain behaviour seen and then outline what you want to see ("You're shouting out. You need to put your hand up		
Opting out	which I know you can do. Thank you."), or crouch down to the child's level and speak to them, encouraging them to start working. Examples of this		
Distracting others	may include 'Is everything ok?' 'Is there something you are stuck with/need help with?' 'I would now like you to make the right choice and do this in silence. I'll check in with you in a few minutes.'		
	Also see '30 second script' towards the end of this policy.		
	Behaviour continues – a choices card is discreetly placed on the table where the child can see it. Remove it once the child has corrected their behaviour, show acknowledgement. This is a 'one off' card/verbal warning.		
	Allow the child time to respond to the strategy used. Walk away from the		
	child so they can correct behaviour.		
	These are strategies to support engage the child and help them make the		
	right choice. There is no consequence at this stage.		
Continuation of the above      A partial of the above	Staff will be expected to support children in making the right choices.		
behaviour (this may be more than one incident	Managed movement (with prior agreement) to another table within the class or in another class to complete work (single table in each class), with a		
within a short space of	positive follow up statement ("I can see that you are still finding it difficult		

time or across a longer period of time in a day)

 Refusal to follow instructions to make the right choices. This is stopping you & others learn. I am asking you to complete your work on another table/in another class to help you focus on your learning and make the right choices". I am looking forward to having you back in the class after break/lunch showing me that you are Ready, Respectful, Safe.")

Children need time to respond and process the information given to them, do not react immediately to secondary negative behaviours or responses for example eye rolling or tutting – address this once the child is compliant in a positive way (I know you are frustrated but our school rules are there to make sure every can be ready-respectful-safe and learn).

Do not move to the next sanction and escalate the situation. Remain calm, walk away from the child so they can correct behaviour.

Child to return to class teacher prior to any break, play or end of day to ensure relationships are positive. This will normally be for one lesson. Restorative conversation to follow incident (see 3.4).

Continued poor behavior will be logged and tracked electronically on Arbor.

- Showing a lack of respect for each other and/or staff
- Continuation of the above behaviour having been moved to new classroom
- Refusal to follow instructions

This will result in the child having to spend their lunch time or morning play away from their peers with a senior member of staff. They will either complete unfinished work or if no work needs to be completed, they will write a reflection of their behaviour — there is a template (this will be adjusted for children unable to write or for younger children). Restorative conversation to follow incident.

Follow a similar script to above.

Remain clam, walk away from the child so they can correct their behaviour and to avoid escalation by responding to secondary behaviours. Ensure the child feels listened to by allowing to explain why they are frustrated or by making them aware that they will have the opportunity to share their thoughts at a later point.

Behaviour will be logged and tracked electronically on Arbor.

- Persistent poor behaviour that isn't corrected from above consequences, or repeats across a week
- Serious incidents (e.g. violence, swearing, racism, purposeful unsafe behaviours
- Bullying or behaviour that is hurtful/harmful to self or others

Internal exclusion. Time with a senior member of staff. Complete normal work. Parents informed.

Child is removed from the class to ensure that the rest of the class can learn.

Meeting with child, parent and senior member of staff.

Incidents of racism or bullying will be recorded.

Behavior will be logged and tracked electronically on Arbor.

## **Playtime behaviours**

- Being unsafe (e.g. rough play, play fighting, using equipment dangerously)
- Leaving others out purposefully

This will involve a 5 minute 'time-out' for children to calm and reflect on what they were doing and why it was unsafe. If necessary, it will involve a '30 second script' and a restorative conversation with those involved.

If the problem persists, the child will miss the remainder of their play time and/or their next play time.

Using unkind words	In all incidents, the class teacher must be made aware of any play time incidents to ensure they can proactively deescalate any further problems that may arise.
	In the case of serious incidents, please see the row above.

Further detail linked to routines can be seen in appendix 2.

#### 3.1.3 Consequences for continued poor behaviour

For those children who regularly disrupt lessons, there will be additional consequences:

- Parental meetings
- Re-teaching of routines and norms
- Internal/Fixed Term Exclusion
- Permanent Exclusion

#### 3.2 Serious behaviour incidents

Instances of poor behaviour will be dealt with swiftly. The school applies its processes and procedures for internal exclusions consistently. It follows DSAT policy on fixed term and permanent exclusions. In line with guidance, incidences of racism, homophobia and/or bullying will be recorded and reported.

## 3.2.1 Serious incident protocol

When a serious incident has occurred at the school, the matter will be investigated. This will involve taking statements from children and staff where needed. Parents will always be informed when we are dealing with a serious incident. At times, we may need to isolate a student during an investigation, this may mean that children are removed from planned activities. When we have completed our investigation parents will be asked to attend the school to discuss the incident and possible ways of resolving the situation using a restorative approach.

#### 3.2.2 Respect for adults

At Milldown CE Academy, adults will treat all pupils with respect and we therefore believe that all adults working within the school deserve a high level of respect from children at all times.

We will not tolerate:

- Children publically disagreeing with a member of staff's consequence (verb or non-verbal)
- Children failing to follow staff's instructions
- Children making disrespectful comments about a member of staff
- Children making disrespectful comments towards a member of staff
- Children being aggressive towards staff

A student can ask to speak with the member of staff in private (at a time convenient for the member of staff). If a student feels that they have received a consequence unfairly, they can speak with the Pastoral Lead.

#### 3.2.3 Internal, Fixed and Permanent Exclusion

We follow the DSAT policy which can be found at: <a href="https://www.dsat.org.uk/policies-and-templates/">https://www.dsat.org.uk/policies-and-templates/</a>

The following are the key principles taken from the DSAT policy and must be considered in all decision making:

- a) Permanent exclusion should only be used as a last resort, in response to a serious breach or persistent breaches of the Academy Behaviour Policy and where allowing the pupil to remain in school would seriously harm the education or welfare of the pupil or others in the school;
- b) The decision to exclude a pupil must be lawful, reasonable and fair;
- c) Particular consideration should be given to the fair treatment of pupils from groups who are vulnerable to exclusion;
- d) Disruptive behaviour can be an indication of unmet needs. Where an Academy has concerns about a pupil's behaviour it should try to identify whether there are any casual factors and intervene early in order to reduce the need for a subsequent exclusion. In this situation, academies should give consideration to a multi-agency assessment that goes beyond the pupil's educational needs;
- e) All children have a right to an education. Our academies will set and mark work for pupils during the first five school days of exclusion and alternative provision must be arranged from the sixth day.
- f) Where parents dispute the decision of a Local Governing Board (LGB) not to reinstate a permanently excluded pupil, they can ask for this decision to be reviewed by an independent review panel. Where this is an allegation of discrimination (under the Equality Act 2010) in relation to a fixed-period or permanent exclusion, parents can also make a claim to the First-tier Tribunal (for disability discrimination) or a County Court (for other forms of discrimination)
- g) Excluded pupils should be enabled and encouraged to participate at all stages of the exclusion process, taking into account their age and understanding.

The decision to exclude a pupil will be taken in the following circumstances:

- a) In response to a serious breach of the Academy's Behaviour Policy
- b) If allowing the pupil to remain in the Academy would seriously harm the education or welfare of other persons or the pupil in the Academy.

Exclusion is an extreme sanction and is only administered by the Headteacher, in consultation with the CEO of the Trust.

Exclusion, whether internal, for a fixed term or permanent may be used for any of the following, all of which constitute examples of unacceptable conduct, and are infringements of the Academy's Behaviour Policy:

- Verbal abuse to staff, pupils or others
- Physical abuse to / attack on staff, pupils or others
- Indecent behaviour
- Damage to property
- Misuse of illegal drugs or other substances
- Theft

- Serious actual or threatened violence against another pupil or a member of staff
- Sexual abuse or assault
- Supplying an illegal drug
- Carrying an offensive weapon
- Arson
- Unacceptable behaviour which has previously been reported and for which Academy sanctions and other interventions have not been successful in modifying the pupil's behaviour.

This is not an exhaustive list and there may be other situations where the Headteacher makes the judgement that exclusion is an appropriate sanction.

## **Bullying (Please refer to the anti-bullying policy)**

The aim of the anti-bullying policy is to ensure that students learn in a supportive, caring and safe environment without fear of being bullied. Bullying is anti-social behaviour and affects everyone; it is unacceptable and will not be tolerated. Only when all issues of bullying are addressed, will students be able to fully benefit from the opportunities available at the school. Bullying is defined as deliberately hurtful behaviour, repeated over a period of time, where it is difficult for those being bullied to defend themselves. Within the curriculum the school will raise the awareness of the nature of bullying through inclusion in PSHCE (SCARF scheme), class time, assemblies and subject areas, as appropriate, in an attempt to eradicate such behaviour.

## 3.2.4 Restraint and use of reasonable force

The law states that any member of staff may use reasonable force to prevent a pupil from:

- Committing a criminal offence;
- Causing personal injury or damage to property;
- Prejudicing the maintenance of good order and discipline. It is always unlawful to use force as a punishment.

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Force is only used as a last resort and therefore the variety of strategies detailed in this policy are in place to minimise the need for physical restraint.

Force may be used for two reasons: control and restraint.

Control – can be passive physical contact; e.g. standing between two pupils or blocking their path, or active physical contact; e.g. leading a pupil by the hand or arm or ushering a pupil away.

Restraint – the physical prevention of a child from continuing to do what they are doing when they have been told to stop.

When faced with an incident and before force is used, staff should:

- Send for adult help;
- Act calmly and in a measured manner;
- Show no anger or frustration;
- Talk constantly and assertively to the pupil, repeating instructions and telling him/her what they are about to do and why;
- Give a commentary to other adults in the vicinity about what you are doing and are going to do;
- Never meet a child's anger with your own a child who has lost control needs to be met by an adult who is calm and rational;
- Minimise all danger to others.

#### **Recording and Reporting Incidents**

All significant incidents should be recorded on a Physical Restraint Record Sheet (The Bound Book). These are kept by the Headteacher.

- Parents are informed verbally and in writing by letter if necessary (not a copy of the incident form) within 24 hours of an incident where physical restraint has been used with their child.
- A 'reintegration' meeting will be held the with the child and parent(s) upon their return to school.
- Incidents will be reported to the Local Governing Board via the termly Headteacher's report.

All academy staff have the authority of the Head teacher and therefore legal power to use reasonable force to prevent pupils injuring themselves or others or damaging property, and to maintain good order and discipline in the classroom.

Further information regarding DFE guidance on the use of reasonable force can be found on the following link: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/268771/use\_of\_reaso">https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/268771/use\_of\_reaso</a> nable force - advice for headteachers staff and governing bodies - final july 2013\_001.pdf

#### 3.3 PASTORAL AND INCLUSION

Milldown CE Academy is an inclusive school and admits pupils with a variety of special and additional needs. The school always works closely with external agencies and families to ensure that individual children are supported effectively. The school will make reasonable adaptions to accommodate children's behavioural needs to help them to make choices that will enable them to be successful in school.

For pupils who struggle to manage their behaviour, but who do not have a special educational need or disability, there are three waves of pastoral support at Milldown CE Academy.

It is vital to intervene at the earliest opportunity to ensure each child receives the most appropriate support to prevent exclusion. This may include writing a 'pastoral Support Plan' or 'Individual Behaviour Plan'.

#### Wave 1: Early Intervention (EI)

- Work in collaboration with the pastoral team, class teacher, parent and child to identify the area/s of need and any triggers.
- Class teacher needs to check:
  - ✓ Rewards and sanction are being used appropriately to encourage positive behaviour.
  - ✓ The classroom environment/ where the child sits/ seating plan
  - ✓ Level of work/ access to the curriculum
- The meeting will consist of an assessment of need through discussion with staff and parents. It is important at this stage to evidence the child's views and any changes which might affect their behaviour.
- Develop appropriate causes of action with all parties involved to enable the child to make reasonable adjustments to address their behaviour.
- The review date will be set 4 weeks from the initial meeting.
- Review If targets have not been met, they need to be escalated to wave 2.

## **Wave 2: Behaviour Support Plan (Formal)**

- For pupils at risk of fixed term exclusion.
- A meeting will be held with the Pupil support manager/ pastoral team to discuss the child's behaviour and look at the behaviour incidences.
- Look at for patterns for example trends in behaviour thus highlighting any areas of concern whilst also highlighting areas of good practice.
- Targets are set and agreed, these will be checked and reviewed every 2/3 weeks.
- The pupil's behaviour will be monitored, e.g. using a home-school communication book or regular endof-day communication with the parent(s), with interim and final reviews to decide whether the pupil is making progress, or whether they need to be escalated to wave 3 support.
- It may be necessary to engage with external agencies to seek and offer further support (see list below, detailed under 'wave 3')

#### Wave 3: Pastoral and additional needs plan.

- For pupils who have been placed on fixed term exclusions, and who may be at risk of permanent exclusion.
- A meeting will be held to discuss triggers and set targets, along with interventions to support the pupil to meet these targets.
- Should it be deemed appropriate, the school will access specialist child and family agencies. These may include:
  - Behaviour Support Services
  - Education Welfare Officer
  - Education Psychology Service
  - Health Service (including Mental Health)
  - Social Services

- Youth Offending Team
- Other agencies offering specific, targeted support

#### 3.4 RESTORATIVE CONVERSATION

To ensure children are made fully aware of their behaviour choices and the impact these have had, a restorative conversation will need to take place between the child/ren involved, led by the adult.

- 1. What happened?
- 2. What were you thinking/feeling inside when it happened?
- 3. How are you now?
- 4. Who else has been effected by this? How/why?
- 5. What do you need to do to feel better?
- 6. What needs to happen now to put things right?
- 7. What needs to happen next time you are in a similar situation to this?

## **The 30 Second Intervention**

#### Rationale:

- The longer each negotiation around behaviour takes for the few, the less time we can give to the many.
- Children who don't behave well in class will inevitably need more of your time outside lessons don't give it to them in class too.
- Limit your formal one-to-one interventions for poor behaviour in class to 30 seconds each time. Get in,
  deliver the message, anchor the child's behaviour with an example of their previous good behaviour and
  get out, with your dignity and the child's dignity intact. That is the win-win.
- The 30 second intervention demands careful and often scripted language.
- It is a carefully planned, utterly predictable and safe way to send a clear message to the child: 'You own your behaviour. Your behaviour does not deserve my time. You are better than the behaviour you are showing today (and I can prove it!)

## A 30 second script

- 1. I noticed you are...(having trouble getting started/struggling to focus/not sitting nicely).
- 2. It was the rule about..(lining up safely) that you broke.
- 3. You have chosen to....(move to the back/catch up on your work at break time)
- 4. Do you remember last week when you...(sat beautifully/listened careful/produced that wonderful bit of writing)?
- 5. That is who I need to see today.
- 6. Thank you. (Then give the child some 'take up' time).

Appendix 1 – Behaviour for Learning Techniques (part of the teacher toolkit)

Technique	Script	Rationale	
No hands up	"Here comes a question you are going to need to think carefully about. I might choose you to answer. What is similar & what is different about these 2 methods?Name"  OR  "Think about this question[QUESTION]turn to your partner and share your ideas, starting with partner 2Jack, what did Sam think?"  OR  "I am going to ask a no hands up question after partner talk[QUESTION]Lila, share your thoughts."	Calling on children without allowing hands up has 4 benefits:  1. Allows you to check for understanding 2. Increases engagement 3. Ensures pace of lesson 4. Increases % of children thinking	
No opt out	Adult: What is 5X4?  Child: I don't know.  Adult: 5X4 means 5 groups of 4 (show visually).  What is 5X4?  OrCan someone give Sam a clue about what 5X4 means? Sam, make sure you are listening carefully to [name] so you can explain it next.  OrSam, listen carefully to Ben's answer so you can answer next.'	Ensures all children take responsibility for their learning. It rehearses success for learners that genuinely don't know an answer. Over time, it ensures thinking by all rather than reliance on peers. It reduces the chances of a child not engaging in thinking.	
Say it better (referred to as 'right is right' in TLAC)	"Thank you for your answer Sam. You need to say it even better. I would like you to answer again but using one of our sentence stems to answer in full sentences."  Or  "That's a good start. I want you to say it better by using the correct vocabulary by using the word [WORD] in your answer."  Or  "Thanks [name]. Can you elaborate/add more detail by explaining/discussing"	Ensures the highest of expectations from children in terms of their thinking, answers and spoken language.  It increases the chances that children are thinking hard and deeply.	
Don't dive in (referred to as 'Radar/Be Seen	"Make sure you are listening really carefully to this part of the lesson/these instructions because soon you will be starting by yourself  It's time to start your work now. The adults are going to watch to see who is starting their work	By taking a position at the best vantage point in the classroom, the adult can scan their eyes across the whole class to ensure they start working straight. It ensures all children are on task straight away and also helps to develop independence and help prevent reliance on an adult 'getting them started' or telling the child what to do.	

Looking' in TLAC)	straight away. Thank you [namename] I can see you with your books open and title done.	It will lead to more/all children engaging with instructions and learning the first time round.		
	We now have nearly half the class writing.			
	Pencil moving on your page, [name]. Thank you."			
	"Let me see who is showing me STARthank you [name]"	Ensures that key baseline behaviours for learning are taught and insisted upon. Increases the chances of children listening and thinking and therefore learning. Also helps ensure learning for all.		
STAR	"When I am pointing and talking about this (something on the IWB/flipchart), I need to see eyes tracking the learning."			
	"Thank you, I can see nearly everyone showing me STAR2 to go1thank you."			
	"Thank you to [namename] who are all	Ensures that first attention is given to the positive. Seeking success and happiness will spur stronger action than seeking to avoid punishment.  Misbehaviours are still fixed and improved but in the first instance done through an indirect positive interaction. Clear, direct instructions are given to children off-task as to what they should be doing.  This technique does not mean avoiding correcting misbehaviours.		
	"Let me see who is going to be the first pair/table/group to show me"			
	"I love the way that [name] is [writing straight away/showing me STAR/showing me Ready-Respectful-Safe"			
			POSITIVE	NEGATIVE
Narrate the positive	"Yesterday/earlier you were fantastic at showing meI want to see that again now."	Corrective Content	Good start. Let me see	You still haven't used
	"We nearly have everyone writing in silence. Thank you. Let's make it everyonethank you [name]."	Responding to insufficient answer	you write it again but using the words of a scientist.	the correct sentence stem.
		Positive Content	Great. Not only have	See you can do it when
	"[name] you are [insert behaviour]. I need you to [insert desired behaviour] like you did [earlier/last lesson/yesterday]. Thank you."	Responding to a good answer	you used a sentence stem but you gave a worked example.	you want to.

## Appendix 2 - Teaching Routines and Behaviour

Specific routines and behaviours to be taught are detailed in our Behaviour Curriculum.

## **Classroom Routines – Teaching Behaviour**

Staff will stand at the doorway of the classroom ready to greet children, and reinforce expectations, in a positive manner. If the teacher is not at the doorway, children wait, lined up outside in a calm, quiet and orderly manner until the teacher arrives. On arrival the teacher is to greet the children and explain the job to be completed (usually date and title).

Children will line up for play time and collective worship in register order, unless specified by the adult. This will have been practiced to automaticity.

Children in key-stage 2 will be taught and expected to use the visual timetable to recognise what lesson is next, get the necessary equipment and book ready, and write the date and title in silence. Peer checks will help ensure correct spelling, punctuation and it is underlined. In key-stage 1, this will be guided by the adult.

Books will be organized neatly and in order so that the book monitor can hand out books swiftly. They will be collected back in in the same order to ensure that they are ready to be given out swiftly on the next day.

In key-stage 2, wherever possible, toilet breaks will be during morning registration and play times. Staff will encourage children in key-stage 1 to build towards this but understand that some children may find this difficult.