

Ashfield Infant and Nursery School Behaviour Principles Written Statement

A statement of behaviour principles written by Governors is required by all maintained schools. These principles guide our Whole School Behaviour Policy and Procedures at Ashfield and Infant School.

- At Ashfield Infant and Nursery School, we strive to ensure that every child understands they all have the right to feel safe, valued and respected, and learn free from the disruption of others.
- All children, staff and visitors have the right to feel safe at all times at school and procedures should consider the requirements of the Education Act 2002 in relation to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children.
- All pupils, staff and visitors are free from any form of discrimination and policies reflect the duties of the Equality Act 2010.
- Staff and volunteers set an excellent example to pupils at all times.
- Our Behaviour Policy is rooted in Citizenship Values: Honesty, Respect, Kindness, Friendship, Care and Independence.
- All pupils are helped to take responsibility for and reflect on their actions and choices.
- We believe children should be given opportunities, and openly encouraged, to support each other in the process of positive reinforcement, personal growth, learning and recognising good behaviour.
- Families are involved in behaviour incidents to foster good relationships between the school and pupils' home life.
- Rewards and sanctions are used consistently by staff, in line with our Whole School Behaviour Policy.
- The decision to use physical intervention and/or reasonable force will only be be based on individual circumstances and the professional judgement of staff.
- The Whole School Behaviour Policy is shared with pupils, parents and staff.
- By effectively preventing and tackling bullying, we can help to create a safe environment where pupils are able to learn and fulfil their potential.
- The Whole School Behaviour Policy explains that suspensions (fixed-term exclusions) and permanent exclusions will only be used as a last resort, and outlines the processes involved in permanent and fixed-term exclusions.

The Governing Body of Ashfield Infant and Nursery School also emphasises that violence or threatening behaviour will not be tolerated in any circumstances.

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