



Dove Bank Behaviour Policy Addendum: COVID-19

May 2020

In light of the need for children to behave differently when they return to school, and to assist in the smooth running of the new systems in place to support that, temporary changes have been made to the behaviour policy.

The aim of the changes is to keep everyone in school safe – this includes pupils, parents and staff.

- Parents and children will be expected to follow altered routines for arrival or departure
- Those who do not follow the expectations will be spoken to by a member of SLT
- If they continue to disregard expectations, parents will be at risk of a ban from the site

Pupils will be expected to follow new guidelines on:

- handwashing within classrooms and toilets
- keeping a social distance from each other and the adults
- sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoiding touching mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- moving around the school as per specific instructions (for example, one-way systems, out of bounds areas, queuing)
- staying in seats in the classrooms
- not sharing any equipment or other items including drinking bottles

Staff will show compassion and an understanding of our pupils who display poor behaviour.

Staff will attempt to find the root cause of the poor behaviour, taking into account the stressful situation the pupils may have experienced when at home and the difference to their usual school routine they are currently experiencing.

Staff will be trained in understanding the basic potential signs of PTSD, and will flag up pupils who are struggling with their mental health/family issues to the Senior Leadership Team.

There will be a tiered approach to pupils who do not follow the guidelines.

- Pupils who accidentally go against guidelines will be spoken to by the teacher leading their bubble and reminded of the expectations and the reasons behind them
- Pupils who purposefully go against guidelines will be spoken to by the teacher leading their 'bubble' and reminded of the expectations and the reasons behind them
- Pupils who still continue to go against guidelines will be spoken to by a member of the Senior Leadership Team
- Pupils who still continue to go against guidelines removed from their bubble and will have to spend time with a member of the Senior Leadership Team
- If a pupil shows unwanted behaviour which requires additional intervention or evacuation of a classroom, they will be spoken to by a member of the Senior Leadership Team, as will their parents
- As a last resort, pupils who still continue to go against guidelines will receive a fixed-term exclusion

In the unlikely event that a pupil purposefully coughs or spits at or towards any other person, they will be removed from their bubble for the remainder of the day. A repeat of this behaviour could lead to a fixed term exclusion.

This policy will addendum will be reviewed regularly (at least every 2 weeks from June 3rd)