

Positive Behaviour Policy: Coronavirus Addendum 2021-22

St Cuthbert's RCVA Primary



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1. Scope

This addendum sets out changes that apply / may be applied depending on government guidance around COVID-19 and managing the risk of infection.

It sets out changes and exceptions to our normal behaviour policy. Pupils, parents and staff should continue to follow our normal behaviour policy with respect to anything not covered in this addendum.

We may need to amend or add to this addendum as circumstances or official guidance changes. We will communicate any changes to staff, parents and pupils.

2. Expectations for pupils in school

2.1 Rules for guidance in September 2021

When pupils are in school, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below to keep themselves and the rest of the school community safe.

Staff will be familiar with these rules and make sure they are followed consistently.

Parents should also read the rules and ensure that their children follow the new procedures that have been put in place. Parents should contact Mrs Noble or Mrs Parlett if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them and support them to integrate back into school life.

- Pupils should arrive in school at the designated times and zones. It will be parents' /guardians' responsibility to ensure arrival times are adhered to strictly to help promote a safe environment
- Pupils should leave the school site at the designated times and by the designated gate. It will be parents' /guardians' responsibility to ensure children leave the site promptly.
- Pupils should sanitise hands on entering their door and wash hands when directed to by a member of staff, before lunch, after play or active times and whenever using toilets
- Pupils will be reminded and encouraged to follow guidelines around sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoid touching their mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- Pupils must tell an adult if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus
- Pupils should only use toilets within their zone and should check with a member of staff before using to ensure they are free
- Pupils will be reminded that they should not cough or spit at another person or in their direction and should avoid close face to face contact

2.1 Rules which MAY APPLY if schools move back to a 'bubble' system to contain infection

Staff will be familiar with these rules and make sure they are followed consistently.

Parents should also read the rules and ensure that their children follow the new procedures that have been put in place. Parents should contact Mrs Noble or Mrs Parlett if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them and support them to integrate back into school life.

- Pupils should arrive in school at the designated times and zones. It will be parents' /guardians' responsibility to ensure arrival times are adhered to strictly to help school reduce congestion and promote a safe environment
- Pupils should leave the school site at the designated times and by the designated gate. It will be parents' /guardians' responsibility to ensure children leave the site promptly and there is no congregating on the school or parish grounds
- Pupils should sanitise hands on entering their door and wash hands when directed to by a member of staff, before lunch, after play or active times and whenever using toilets
- Pupils should socialise only with children in their 'bubble' and in their designated play areas
- Pupils should stay within their zone unless directed to the school hall by an adult. They should not enter the other zones or the office block
- Pupils will be reminded and encouraged to follow guidelines around sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoid touching their mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- Pupils must tell an adult if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus
- Pupils should use their own, labelled equipment e.g. pencils, pens, coloured pencil, glue sticks. They must not share these frequently used items
- Pupils should only use toilets within their zone and should check with a member of staff before using to ensure they are free
- Pupils will be reminded that they should not cough or spit at another person or in their direction and should avoid close face to face contact

2.2 Rewards and sanctions for following rules

To help encourage pupils to follow the above rules, we will:

- Ensure that good hygiene rules are regularly taught and reinforced
- Model safe behaviour
- Ensure staff are present at the beginning and end of day to support children coming into and out of school and manage safe movement of people
- Reward and praise pupils for being safe and following guidelines to keep us safe

However, if pupils fail to follow these rules, we will:

- Ensure that we model and explain the purpose of the safe behaviours we expect in school
- Continue to reinforce safety rules so that children quickly take on these routines as a normal part of their day
- Evaluate each incident as it happens with a presumption that it was accidental. Any deliberate flouting of the rules will follow the sanctions set out in the usual behaviour policy.

2.3 Changed rules

Until further notice, we will alter the following school rules:

- Attendance at school is mandatory. Normal expectations for attendance will apply and parents should refer to current guidelines regarding shielding and self isolation
- All pupils must wear uniform to school. No jewellery apart from a wristwatch may be worn. **This includes earrings.** Pupils should have a pair of indoor plimsolls that they can change into and which will be used for indoor PE.
- From September 2020 pupils should **come to school dressed in outdoor PE kit on their PE days.** This is school PE t-shirt, school hoodie, navy tracksuit bottoms and trainers.
- Pupils must not bring pencil cases into school but are permitted to bring in their own pencil, coloured pencils, glue stick, whiteboard pen, pencil sharpener and rubber. School will provide individually labelled equipment for regular use for all pupils.

3. Expectations for pupils at home

3.1 Remote learning rules

There may be times where pupils are unable to attend school for example if a family are self isolating, if bubbles are reintroduced to schools and a bubble needs to close or if a pupil has tested positive but is feeling well. We have online systems for setting work and contacting pupils and their families and it is important that we work in partnership with families to ensure there are no gaps in learning. If pupils are not in school but are well, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below. For full details see our **Remote Learning Policy**

Parents should also read the rules and ensure their children are able to follow them. Parents should contact Mrs Noble or Mrs Parlett if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them and support them with their learning.

- Access Tapestry (EYFS) or Google Classroom daily to access work
- Complete work to the deadline set by teachers
- Seek help if they need it, from teachers or teaching assistants
- Alert teachers if they're not able to complete work
- Use proper online conduct, such as using appropriate language in messages
- Contact school if they are unable to access learning online for printed copies to be delivered

3.2 Dealing with problems

If there are any problems with pupils adhering to rules around remote learning, including if they don't engage with the remote learning set for them, we will:

- Contact parents to discuss how we can assist pupils in accessing work

4. Monitoring arrangements

We will review this policy as guidance from the Department for Education is updated. At every review, it will be approved by the full governing board.

5. Links with other policies

This policy links to the following policies and procedures:

- Child protection policy
- Behaviour policy
- Attendance policy
- Health and safety policy
- Remote Learning Policy
- Positive Handling Policy