



## St John's First School Behaviour and Discipline Policy June 2024

As a Church of England school, we have at our heart a belief that all children are loved by God, are individually unique and that the school has a mission to help each pupil to fulfil their potential in all aspects on their personhood: physically, academically, socially, morally and spiritually. Our aim is that all may flourish and have an abundant life. We have a duty to try to remove any factor that might represent a hindrance to a child's fulfilment. We want all pupils to willingly engage in learning in a safe and welcoming environment. All staff will present a clear message that bullying will not be tolerated and that there can be no justification for this negative behaviour based on the Christian faith or the Bible. We also will ensure that pupils understand how to report incidents. Pupils should be confident that if they report bullying it will be taken seriously.

### **Aims and expectations**

It is a primary aim of our school that every member of the school community feels valued, respected and safe and that each person is treated fairly.

### **The St John's School Rules**

This is a set of overarching school rules that have been formulated with the safety, happiness and well-being of the children in mind and to enable the school to function efficiently as a place of learning.

**Be ready**

**Be respectful**

**Be safe**

Rules are explained to the children and the children agree with the meaning of each rule in their classroom at the beginning of the new school year.

The following script is provided to staff as a guide and aid to ensure fairness, equality and consistency.

Remember: praise in public and reprimand in private!

Reminder	Remember the school rules (Be ready, be respectful, be safe). That behaviour is ...not safe/not respectful/making you unready
Last Chance	You have been reminded about the rules, if you continue with that behaviour you will be choosing to ...miss 5 mins playtime/finish your work at playtime/etc
Sanction Time out/check in	See sanctions list
Repair	Could be a quick chat in the playground or more formal. 5 restorative questions: What happened? What were you thinking at the time? What have you thought since? How did this make people feel? Who has been affected?

## Rewards

We praise and reward children for good behaviour in a variety of ways:

Teachers give verbal praise.

Teachers give children dojo points.

Teachers sometimes use other in-class rewards, marbles in jars, stickers, raffle tickets etc

Each week we nominate one child from each year group to be 'Child of the week'. Each 'Child of the week' receives a certificate in the celebration assembly and families are invited in to watch.

Once a month staff nominate a child to receive a Good Shepherd award at celebration assembly who have demonstrated the Christian Values. Each child receives a special badge.

Yearly awards are given out for achievement and effort over the year.

The Head Teacher awards "Head Teacher Stickers" to children, either for consistent good work or behaviour, or to acknowledge outstanding effort or acts of kindness in school.

Celebrations in and out of school are celebrated in a weekly celebration assembly on Thursdays.

Good as Gold is awarded each week to one member of each class. Their photograph is taken and added to our special Good as Gold board for all to see.

## Sanctions

The school employs a number of sanctions to enforce the school rules and to ensure a safe and positive learning environment. We employ each sanction appropriately to each individual situation.

Counselling and advice;

Verbal discussion or reprimand;

Confiscation of banned articles;

Time out of class or playtime;

Withdrawal of school privileges;

Meetings with parents or carers;  
Referring matter to Head teacher  
An individual behaviour plan may be started;  
Referral to external agencies;  
Social Exclusions – Isolation at break time and lunchtime;  
A 'Managed Move' to another school  
Fixed Term Exclusion  
Permanent Exclusion

The school does not tolerate bullying of any kind. If a child threatens, hurts or bullies another child, the class teacher investigates the incident and the child is punished. If a child repeatedly acts in a way that disrupts or upsets others, the school contacts the child's parents to discuss the situation, with a view to improving the behaviour of the child. The same applies to cyber-bullying and misuse of social networking sites. If incidents have happened outside school, the headteacher is legally allowed to apply the behaviour policy and punish pupils where there is a link between their conduct and maintaining good behaviour among the school population. A school Behaviour record exists on CPOMS where inappropriate behaviours are recorded and action taken. This will be completed by the members of staff involved and head teacher if necessary.

### **Lunchtime Supervision**

At lunchtime, supervision is by a team of lunchtime supervisors. The school rules apply at lunchtimes. The children should treat the lunchtime staff with the respect due to all adults at St John's School. Verbal or physical abuse is not tolerated.

**Serious misbehaviour or repeated disobedience at lunchtime is brought to the attention of the Head or class teacher. This may result in loss of privileges and lunchtimes. No improvement in behaviour may lead to exclusion.**

### **Monitoring and Review**

This policy will be reviewed every 2 years or earlier.

Common sense and context will be used and sanctions will be proportionate and responses and sanctions will be on a case by case/child by child basis.