Behaviour and Anti–Bullying Policy

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1. Aims

This policy aims to:

- Create a positive culture that promotes excellent behaviour, ensuring that all pupils have the opportunity to learn in a calm, safe and supportive environment

- Establish a whole-school approach to maintaining high standards of behaviour that reflect the values of the school

- Outline the expectations and consequences of behaviour

- Provide a consistent approach to behaviour management that is applied equally to all pupils

- Define what we consider to be unacceptable behaviour, including bullying and discrimination

2. Legislation, statutory requirements and statutory guidance

This policy is based on legislation and advice from the Department for Education (DfE) on:

- Behaviour and discipline in schools: advice for headteachers and school staff, 2016

- Behaviour in schools: advice for headteachers and school staff 2022

- Searching, screening and confiscation at school 2018

- Searching, screening and confiscation: advice for schools 2022

- The Equality Act 2010

- Keeping Children Safe in Education

- Exclusion from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units in England 2017

- Suspension and permanent exclusion from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units in England, including pupil movement - 2022

- Use of reasonable force in schools

- Supporting pupils with medical conditions at school

It is also based on the Special Educational Needs and Disability (SEND) Code of Practice.

In addition, this policy is based on:

- Schedule 1 of the Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014; paragraph 7 outlines a school's duty to safeguard and promote the welfare of children, paragraph 9 requires the school to have a written behaviour policy and paragraph 10 requires the school to have an anti-bullying strategy

- DfE guidance explaining that academies should publish their behaviour policy and anti-bullying strategy

This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

3. Definitions

Unacceptable behaviour is defined as:

- Disruption in lessons, around the school and at break and lunchtimes

- Disrespect for the values of the school

Serious misbehaviour is defined as:

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- Repeated breaches of the school rules and values
- Any form of bullying
- Sexual violence or assault
- Sexual harassment, meaning unwanted conduct of a sexual nature, such as:
    - Sexual comments
    - Sexual jokes or taunting
    - Physical behaviour like interfering with clothes
    - Online sexual harassment, such as unwanted sexual comments and messages (including on social media), sharing of nude or semi-nude images and/or videos, or sharing of unwanted explicit content
- Vandalism
- Theft
- Fighting
- Smoking
- Racist, sexist, homophobic or discriminatory behaviour
- Possession of any prohibited items. These are:
    - Knives or weapons
    - Alcohol
    - Illegal drugs
    - Stolen items
    - Tobacco and cigarette papers
    - Fireworks
    - Pornographic images

4. Bullying

Bullying is defined as the repetitive, intentional harming of 1 person or group by another person or group, where the relationship involves an imbalance of power.

Bullying is, therefore:

- Deliberately hurtful
- Repeated, often over a period of time
- Difficult to defend against

Bullying can include:

TYPE OF BULLYING	DEFINITION
Emotional	Being unfriendly, excluding, tormenting
Physical	Hitting, kicking, pushing, taking another's belongings, any use of violence
Prejudice-based and discriminatory, including: ● Racial ● Faith-based ● Gendered (sexist) ● Homophobic/biphobic ● Transphobic ● Disability-based	Taunts, gestures, graffiti or physical abuse focused on a particular characteristic (e.g. gender, race, sexuality)
Sexual	Explicit sexual remarks, display of sexual material, sexual gestures, unwanted physical attention, comments about sexual reputation or performance, or inappropriate touching
Direct or indirect verbal	Name-calling, sarcasm, spreading rumours, teasing
Cyber-bullying	Bullying that takes place online, such as through social networking sites, messaging apps or gaming sites

Details of our approach to preventing and addressing bullying are laid out in appendix 1

5. Roles and responsibilities

5.1 The governing board

The governing board is responsible for monitoring this behaviour policy's effectiveness and holding the headteacher to account for its implementation.

5.2 The headteacher

The headteacher is responsible for:

● Reviewing and approving this behaviour policy

● Ensuring that the school environment encourages positive behaviour

● Ensuring that staff deal effectively with poor behaviour

● Monitoring how staff implement this policy to ensure rewards and sanctions are applied consistently to all groups of pupils

● Ensuring that all staff understand the behavioural expectations and the importance of maintaining them

● Providing new staff with a clear induction into the school's behavioural culture to ensure they understand its rules and routines, and how best to support all pupils to participate fully

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- Offering appropriate training in behaviour management and the impact of special educational needs and disabilities (SEND) and mental health needs on behaviour to any staff who require it, so they can fulfil their duties set out in this policy
- Ensuring this policy works alongside the safeguarding policy to offer pupils both sanctions and support when necessary
- Ensuring that the data from the behaviour log is reviewed regularly to make sure that no groups of pupils are being disproportionately impacted by this policy (see section 13.1)

5.3 Teachers and staff

Staff are responsible for:

- Creating a calm and safe environment for pupils
- Establishing and maintaining clear boundaries of acceptable pupil behaviour
- Implementing the behaviour policy consistently
- Communicating the school's expectations, routines, values and standards through teaching behaviour and in every interaction with pupils
- Modelling expected behaviour and positive relationships
- Providing a personalised approach to the specific behavioural needs of particular pupils
- Considering their own behaviour on the school culture and how they can uphold school rules and expectations
- The senior leadership team (SLT) will support staff in responding to behaviour incidents.

5.4 Parents and carers

Parents and carers, where possible, should:

- Get to know the school's behaviour policy and reinforce it at home where appropriate
- Support their child in adhering to the school's behaviour policy
- Inform the school of any changes in circumstances that may affect their child's behaviour
- Discuss any behavioural concerns with the class teacher promptly
- Take part in any pastoral work following misbehaviour (for example, attending reviews of specific behaviour interventions)
- Raise any concerns about the management of behaviour with the school directly whilst continuing to work in partnership with the school.
- Take part in the life of the school and its culture

The school will endeavour to build a positive relationship with parents and carers by keeping them informed about developments in their child's behaviour and the school's policy and working in collaboration with them to tackle any behavioural issues.

5.5 Pupils

Pupils will be made aware of the following during their induction to school:

- The school's key rules, values and routines
- The rewards they can earn for meeting the behaviour standard, and the consequences they will face if they don't meet the standard
- The pastoral support that is available to them to help them meet the behavioural standards

Extra support and induction will be provided for pupils who are mid-phase arrivals.

6. School behaviour curriculum

We believe that good behaviour is the key to a good education. We believe in the principles of 'positive' behaviour management, and we understand that good behaviour needs to be taught and modelled.

The school environment plays a central role in a child's social and emotional development. Adults encountered by the children at school have an important responsibility to model high standards of behaviour at all times.

At Raynham Primary School, we want to teach good behaviour habits by rewarding positive behaviour rather than emphasising or focusing too heavily on the negative. Therefore, the policy is based on a system of simple rewards and sanctions that are easily understood. We work towards standards of behaviour that are based on the principles of our School values of; Kindness, Courage and Responsibility. Our expectation is that everyone in the school community aims to demonstrate this behaviour at all times.

We know that young children need to be taught how to adhere to these values and rules and we understand that some children will need more support, intervention and guidance to do so.

We know that an effective whole-school policy requires:
 • Consistency- everybody to follow it
• Effective classroom management and practice
• Positive relationships
• Motivating steps to achievement
• Clear rewards and sanctions

Pupils are expected to be:

   READY: to learn, listen and respond.

   RESPECTFUL: respecting all, respecting equality, respecting different opinions, showing kindness, respecting our learning environment.

   SAFE: following health and safety and behaviour policy.

6.1 Smart Devices - Mobile phones and watches

Pupils are not allowed to bring smart devices to school.

In certain circumstances, it may be necessary for a child to bring a non-smartphone to school for for instance, travelling to/from school by themselves. In these circumstances, a discussion will be had between the Headteacher and the parents, outlining the exceptional circumstances where a mobile phone may be needed. The headteacher will decide on a case-by basis whether to allow for special arrangements. If the Headteacher agrees to allow a child to bring a phone onto the school site, parents will be expected to complete and sign the permission form allowing a pupil to bring their phone to school It will be agreed with the pupil and parents that:

- Phones will be handed into the school office for secure storage as soon as the pupil arrives at school at the start of the day
- At the end of the school day, the pupil will collect their phone from the school office immediately before leaving the school site
- The pupil must not use their phone while on the school site.

If a pupil is in breach of this policy, for example bringing or using a phone onto the school site without permission, the following sanctions will be used:

- The phone will be confiscated. (Schools are permitted to confiscate phones from pupils under sections 91 and 94 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006)
- The phone will be kept securely in the school office. Parents will be contacted and asked to collect the phone at the end of the school day. If they are unable to do this, they will be asked to collect it from the school office at their earliest convenience.

7. Responding to behaviour

7.1 Classroom management

Teaching and support staff are responsible for setting the tone and context for positive behaviour within the school.

They will:

- Create and maintain a stimulating environment that encourages pupils to be engaged
- Display the school rules clearly in the classroom
- Develop a positive relationship with pupils, which may include:
    - Greeting pupils in the morning/at the start of lessons
    - Establishing clear routines
    - Communicating expectations of behaviour in ways other than verbally
    - Highlighting and promoting good behaviour
    - Concluding the day positively and starting the next day afresh
    - Having a plan for dealing with low-level disruption
    - Using positive reinforcement

7.2 Safeguarding

The school recognises that changes in behaviour may be an indicator that a pupil is in need of help or protection.

We will consider whether a pupil's poor behaviour may be linked to them suffering, or being likely to suffer, significant harm.

Where this may be the case, we will follow our child protection and safeguarding policy, and consider whether pastoral support, an early help intervention or a referral to children's social care is appropriate.

Please refer to our child protection and safeguarding policy for more information.

7.3 How we recognise and reward positive behaviour

When a pupil's behaviour meets or goes above and beyond the expected behaviour standard, staff will recognise it with positive recognition and reward. This provides an opportunity for all staff to reinforce the school's culture and ethos.

Positive reinforcements and rewards will be applied clearly and fairly to reinforce the routines, expectations and norms of the school's behaviour culture.

Positive behaviour will be rewarded with:

- Praise and approval from adults or peers
- Stickers or notes home
- Class marbles - 1 point: good behaviour, 2 points: a calm, purposeful day with no incidents, 3 points: an exceptional day
- Dojo Points
- Allowed to show senior staff their work
- Star of the day
- Achievement assembly
- Barometer movement

Barometer:

Each child has a name peg, and all children start the day in the green zone 'Ready to Learn' position. Adults in class and around the school can also reward positive behaviour by informing the class teacher and asking for that child's peg to be moved up on the peg chart. At the end of each day, all those children who have reached Outstanding will receive extra Dojo points.

7.4 Responding to Unacceptable Behaviour

When a pupil's behaviour falls below the standard that can reasonably be expected of them, staff will respond in order to restore a calm and safe learning environment.

Staff will endeavour to create a predictable environment by always challenging behaviour that falls short of the standards and responding consistently, fairly, and proportionately so pupils know with certainty that unacceptable behaviour will always be addressed.

De-escalation techniques, such as the use of pre-arranged scripts and phrases, can help prevent further behaviour issues from arising.

Under the policy, all pupils will be treated equitably, and any factors that contributed to the behavioural incident will be identified and taken into account.

When giving behaviour sanctions, staff will also consider what support could be offered to a pupil to help them to meet behaviour standards in the future.

The school uses the following sanctions, usually in the following order for unacceptable behaviour:

Stages of Behaviour:

Early Years and Key Stage 1

Stage 1: If a child chooses not to demonstrate good learning behaviours, the class teacher gives them a verbal warning explaining the values that are not being followed within the lesson.

Stage 2: the class teacher places the child in "Time In". This is a space in the classroom, of the teachers choosing, which gives them time to reflect on their behaviour. The time is limited by using a sand timer and should be no longer than 7 minutes.

Stage 3: A member of the Senior Leadership team is involved, and families are advised.

Key Stage 2

Stage 1, 2 and 3 as above.

Stage 3+: The adults in the school community will always challenge aggressive and defiant behaviours. This will result in an immediate referral to a member of the Senior Leadership Team, and incidents of serious misconduct will be reported on My Concern. Families will be advised. Repeated entries into My Concern will result in missing rewards decided upon by the class teacher. Pupils will spend part of their lunchtime in the Reflection Room reflecting on their behaviour and will fill out a reflection form.

Stage 1 - Verbal Warning	Stage 2 - Purple	Stage 3 - Red
- Answering back - Not on task - Chatting in class - Disrupting another child - Chatting in class - Not following instruction - Verbal abuse, minor bad language - Unsafe movement around the classroom/school / careless damage - Playtime incident (first occurrence) - Destruction of property (first time) - Telling lies/getting others into trouble	- Persistence of stage 1 behaviour/repeated breaches of the school rules and values - Failure to complete tasks / deliberate refusal to work - Deliberate destruction of another child's piece of work - Refusal to follow instructions - Defiance - Direct verbal/racial/homophobic/discriminatory abuse or persistent threatening - Stealing/intent to steal - Isolated acts of violence, including retaliation – kicking, hitting, thumping - Minor vandalism - Bullying, persistent name-calling - Sexual harassment, violence or assault - Destruction of property - Possession of any prohibited items	- Persistence of stage 2 behaviour - Major disruption of class activity - Aggressive violent behaviour, causing deliberate injury / abuse/threatening behaviour towards staff/parents - Leaving school premises without consent - Dangerous refusal to obey instruction - Persistent bad language and verbal/racial/homophobic/discriminatory abuse - Stealing/intent to steal (persistent) - Violent hitting, kicking, fighting - Vandalism of school building, property - Repeated incidents of bullying - Repeated incidents of sexual harassment, violence or assault - Carrying offensive weapon or illegal substances

The pupil's personal circumstances will be taken into account when choosing sanctions, and decisions will be made on a case-by-case basis, but with regard to the impact on perceived fairness. **Serious misbehaviour is likely to mean the earlier sanctions do not apply.**

7.5 Reasonable force

Reasonable force covers a range of interventions that involve physical contact with pupils. All members of staff have a duty to use reasonable force, in the following circumstances, to prevent a pupil from:

- Causing disorder

- Hurting themselves or others

- Damaging property

- Committing an offence

Incidents of reasonable force must:

- Always be used as a last resort

- Be applied using the minimum amount of force and for the minimum amount of time possible

- Be used in a way that maintains the safety and dignity of all concerned

- Never be used as a form of punishment

- Be recorded and reported to parents

When considering using reasonable force, staff should, in considering the risks, carefully recognise any specific vulnerabilities of the pupil, including SEND, mental health needs or medical conditions.

7.6 Confiscation, searches, screening

Searching, screening and confiscation is conducted in line with the DfE's latest guidance on searching, screening and confiscation.

Confiscation

Any prohibited items (listed in section 3) found in a pupil's possession as a result of a search will be confiscated. These items will not be returned to the pupil.

We will also confiscate any item that is harmful or detrimental to school discipline. These items will be returned to pupils after discussion with senior leaders and parents, if appropriate.

Searching a pupil

Searches will only be carried out by a member of staff who has been authorised to do so by the headteacher or by the headteacher themselves.

Wherever possible the authorised member of staff carrying out the search will be of the same sex as the pupil, and there will be another member of staff present as a witness to the search.

A search can be carried out if the authorised member of staff has reasonable grounds for suspecting that the pupil is in possession of a prohibited, or if the pupil has agreed.

An appropriate location for the search will be found. Where possible, this will be away from other pupils. The search will only take place on the school premises or where the member of staff has lawful control or charge of the pupil, for example, on a school trip.

Before carrying out a search the authorised member of staff will:

- Assess whether there is an urgent need for a search

- Assess whether not doing the search would put other pupils or staff at risk

- Consider whether the search would pose a safeguarding risk to the pupil

- Explain to the pupil why they are being searched

- Explain to the pupil what a search entails – e.g. I will ask you to turn out your pockets and remove your scarf

- Explain how and where the search will be carried out

- Give the pupil the opportunity to ask questions

- Seek the pupil's co-operation

If the pupil refuses to agree to a search, parents will be contacted to support the search.

Informing parents

Parents will always be informed of any search for a prohibited item (listed in section 3). A member of staff will tell the parents as soon as is reasonably practicable:

- What happened

- What was found, if anything

- What has been confiscated, if anything
- What action the school has taken, including any sanctions that have been applied to their child

7.7 Off-site Unacceptable Behaviour

Sanctions may be applied where a pupil has misbehaved off-site when representing the school. This means unacceptable behaviour when the pupil is:

- Taking part in any school-organised or school-related activity (e.g. school trips)
- Travelling to or from school
- Wearing school uniform
- In any other way, identifiable as a pupil of our school

Sanctions may also be applied where a pupil has misbehaved off-site, at any time, whether or not the conditions above apply, if the misbehaviour:

- Could have repercussions for the orderly running of the school
- Poses a threat to another pupil
- Could adversely affect the reputation of the school

Sanctions will only be imposed on school premises or elsewhere when the pupil is under the lawful control of a staff member (e.g., on a school-organised trip).

7.8 Online Unacceptable Behaviour

The school can issue behaviour sanctions to pupils for unacceptable online behaviour when:

- It poses a threat or causes harm to another pupil
- It could have repercussions for the orderly running of the school
- It adversely affects the reputation of the school
- The pupil is identifiable as a member of the school

Sanctions will only be given out on school premises or elsewhere when the pupil is under the lawful control of a staff member.

7.9 Suspected criminal behaviour

If a pupil is suspected of criminal behaviour, the school will make an initial assessment of whether to report the incident to the police.

When establishing the facts, the school will endeavour to preserve any relevant evidence to hand over to the police.

If a decision is made to report the matter to the police, a member of the senior leadership team or safeguardingl team will make the report.

The school will not interfere with any police action. However, the school may continue to follow its own investigation procedure and enforce sanctions as long as they do not conflict with police action.

If a report to the police is made, the designated safeguarding lead (DSL) will make a tandem report to children's social care, if appropriate.

7.10 Zero-tolerance approach to sexual harassment and sexual violence

The school will ensure that all incidents of sexual harassment and/or violence are met with a suitable response and never ignored.

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Pupils are encouraged to report anything that makes them uncomfortable, no matter how 'small' they feel it might be.

The school's response will be:

- Proportionate
- Considered
- Supportive
- Decided on a case-by-case basis in line with the school sanctions.

The school has procedures in place to respond to any allegations or concerns regarding a child's safety or wellbeing. These include clear processes for:

- Responding to a report
- Carrying out risk assessments, where appropriate, to help determine whether to:
    - o   Manage the incident internally
    - o   Refer to early help
    - o   Refer to children's social care
    - o   Report to the police

Please refer to our child protection and safeguarding policy for more information.

8. Serious sanctions

8.1 Reflection

A member of staff may send a child to the reflection room for misconduct or serious incidents. An incident log will need to be completed on My Concern, and the outcome discussed with the class teacher. Parents may need to be spoken to, and the child will complete a reflection form before returning to class.

The school will decide whether it is necessary to inform the pupil's parents.

When imposing a reflection, the school will consider whether doing so would:

- Compromise the pupil's safety
- Conflict with a medical appointment
- Interrupt the pupil's caring responsibilities

8.2 Removal from classrooms

In response to serious or persistent breaches of this policy, the school may remove the pupil from the classroom for a limited time.

Pupils who have been removed will continue to receive education under the supervision of a member of staff that is meaningful, but it may differ from the mainstream curriculum.

Removal is a serious sanction and will only be used in response to serious unacceptable behaviour. Staff will only remove pupils from the classroom once other behavioural strategies have been attempted unless the behaviour is so extreme as to warrant immediate removal.

Pupils will not be removed from classrooms for prolonged periods of time without the explicit agreement of the headteacher.

Pupils should be reintegrated into the classroom as soon as appropriate and safe to do so. The school will consider what support is needed to help a pupil successfully reintegrate into the classroom and meet the expected standards of behaviour.

Parents will be informed on the same day that their child is removed from the classroom.

The school will consider an alternative approach to behaviour management for pupils who are frequently removed from class, such as:

- Meetings with learning mentors or pastoral staff
- Use of teaching assistants
- Short term behaviour report cards
- Long term behaviour plans
- Multi-agency assessment

Staff will record all incidents of removal from the classroom along with details of the incident that led to the removal, and any protected characteristics of the pupil in the behaviour log.

8.3 Suspension and permanent exclusions

The school can use suspension and permanent exclusion in response to serious incidents or persistent poor behaviour that has not improved following in-school sanctions and interventions.

The headteacher will decide whether to suspend or exclude a child, and this will be done only as a last resort. SLT will inform parents of the suspension/exclusion and their right to make representations to the Governing Body. Parents will receive a letter outlining the reasons for the suspension.

All information and meetings will be recorded and stored on MyConcern & Scholarpack.

Parents of a suspended/excluded child will be asked to attend a meeting before the child returns to school. All parties will need to agree on a plan of action that will help the child deal with his/ her behavioural difficulties. The plan of action will be recorded, and a date will be set for a review meeting. Other professionals will be invited to the meeting if appropriate. (Social Worker, Educational Psychologist)

Please refer to our exclusions policy for more information

9. Responding to misbehaviour from pupils with SEND

9.1 Recognising the impact of SEND on behaviour

The school recognises that pupils' behaviour may be impacted by a special educational need or disability (SEND).

When incidents of misbehaviour arise, we will consider them in relation to a pupil's SEND, although we recognise that not every incident of misbehaviour will be connected to their SEND. Decisions on whether a pupil's SEND had an impact on an incident of misbehaviour will be made on a case-by-case basis.

When dealing with unacceptable behaviour from pupils with SEND, especially where their SEND affects their behaviour, the school will balance their legal duties when making decisions about enforcing the behaviour policy. The legal duties include:

- Taking reasonable steps to avoid causing any substantial disadvantage to a disabled pupil caused by the school's policies or practices (Equality Act 2010)

- Using our best endeavours to meet the needs of pupils with SEND (Children and Families Act 2014)
- If a pupil has an education, health and care (EHC) plan, the provisions set out in that plan must be secured and the school will co-operate with the local authority and other bodies

As part of meeting these duties, the school will anticipate, as far as possible, all likely triggers of poor behaviour, and put in place support to prevent these from occurring.

Any preventative measures will take into account the specific circumstances and requirements of the pupil concerned.

Our approach may include:

- Short, planned movement breaks for a pupil with SEND who finds it difficult to sit still for long
- Adjusting seating plans to allow a pupil with visual or hearing impairment to sit in sight of the teacher
- Adjusting uniform requirements for a pupil with sensory issues or who has severe eczema
- Training for staff in understanding conditions such as autism
- Use of separation spaces (sensory zones or nurture rooms) where pupils can regulate their emotions during a moment of sensory overload

9.2 Adapting sanctions for pupils with SEND

When considering a sanction for a pupil with SEND, the school will take into account:

- Whether the pupil was unable to understand the rule or instruction?
- Whether the pupil was unable to act differently at the time as a result of their SEND?
- Whether the pupil is likely to behave aggressively due to their particular SEND?

The school will then assess if it is appropriate to use a sanction and if so, whether any reasonable adjustments need to be made to the sanction.

9.3 Considering whether a pupil displaying challenging behaviour may have unidentified SEND

The school's special educational needs co-ordinator (SENCO) may evaluate a pupil who exhibits challenging behaviour to determine whether they have any underlying needs that are not currently being met.

Where necessary, support and advice will also be sought from specialist teachers, an educational psychologist, medical practitioners and/or others, to identify or support specific needs.

When acute needs are identified in a pupil, we will liaise with external agencies and plan support programmes for that child. We will work with parents to create the plan and review it on a regular basis.

9.4 Pupils with an education, health and care (EHC) plan

The provisions set out in the EHC plan must be secured and the school will co-operate with the local authority and other bodies.

If the school has a concern about the behaviour of a pupil with an EHC plan, it will make contact with the local authority to discuss the issue. If appropriate, the school may request an emergency review of the EHC plan.

10. Supporting pupils following a sanction

Following a sanction, the school will consider strategies to help pupils understand how to improve their behaviour and meet the expectations of the school.

This could include measures like:

- Reintegration meetings
- Daily contact with the pastoral team or learning mentors
- A report card with personalised behaviour goals]

11. Pupil transition

11.1 Inducting incoming pupils

The school will support incoming pupils to meet behaviour standards by offering an induction process to familiarise them with the behaviour policy and the wider school culture.

11.2 Preparing outgoing pupils for transition

To ensure a smooth transition to the next year, pupils have transition sessions with their new teacher(s). In addition, staff members hold transition meetings.

To ensure behaviour is continually monitored and the right support is in place, information related to pupil behaviour issues may be transferred to relevant staff at the start of the term or year.

12. Training

As part of their induction process, our staff are provided with regular training on managing behaviour. Regular staff training is accessed by all staff including on,

- The proper use of restraint
- The needs of the pupils at the school
- How SEND and mental health needs impact behaviour

13. Monitoring arrangements

13.1 Monitoring and evaluating school behaviour

The school will collect data on the following:

- Behavioural incidents, including removal from the classroom
- Attendance, permanent exclusion and suspension
- Use of pupil support units, off-site directions and managed moves
- Incidents of searching, screening and confiscation
- Anonymous surveys for staff, pupils, governors, trustees and other stakeholders on their perceptions and experiences of the school behaviour culture

The data will be analysed every half-term by the Senior Leadership Team

The data will be analysed from a variety of perspectives including:

- At school level

- By age group

- At the level of individual members of staff

- By time of day/week/term

- By protected characteristic

The school will use the results of this analysis to make sure it is meeting its duties under the Equality Act 2010. If any trends or disparities between groups of pupils are identified by this analysis, the school will review its policies to tackle it.

13.2 Monitoring this policy

This behaviour policy will be reviewed by the headteacher and governing board at least annually, or more frequently, if needed, to address findings from the regular monitoring of the behaviour data (as per section 13.1). At each review, the policy will be approved by the Headteacher.

14. Links with other policies

This behaviour policy is linked to the following policies:

- Exclusions policy

- Child protection and safeguarding policy

- Physical restraint policy

- Mobile phone policy

- Intimate care policy

- SEND policy

- Mental Health and Wellbeing policy

- Online Safety policy

- Social Media policy

- Safeguarding policy

Appendix 1: Our Approach to Bullying

At Raynham Primary School, we are aware that pupils may be bullied in any school or setting, and recognise that preventing, raising awareness and consistently responding to any cases of bullying should be a priority to ensure the safety and well-being of our pupils.

In line with the Equality Act 2010, it is essential that our school:

- Eliminates unlawful discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct prohibited by the Act;
- Advances equality of opportunity between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it; and
- Fosters good relations between people who share a protected characteristic and people who do not share it.

We discuss with all pupils what bullying is, as well as incidents we would not describe as bullying. These discussions take place in/during assemblies and PSHE lessons.
We agree that:

- Bullying is usually; physical hurting, name calling, giving unkind looks or leaving people out of activities/games.
- Bullying usually happens when the relationship is imbalanced – someone has more 'power' or 'control'.
- Bullying is usually repeated behaviour and on-going.

Types of Bullying
Cyber-Bullying: The rapid development of, and widespread access to, technology has provided a new medium for 'virtual bullying', which can occur in and outside school. Cyber- bullying is a different form of bullying which can happen beyond the school day into home and private space, with a potentially bigger audience, and more accessories as people
forward on content.

Racist Bullying: This refers to a range of hurtful behaviour, both physical and psychological, that make the person feel unwelcome marginalised and excluded, powerless or worthless because of their colour, ethnicity culture, faith community, national origin or national status.

Homophobic Bullying: This occurs when bullying is motivated by a prejudice against lesbian, gay or bisexual people.

Vulnerable Groups: We recognise that some groups of pupils may be more vulnerable to bullying, including:

- Looked After Children
- Gypsy, Roma and Traveller children
- Children with Special Educational Needs or Disabilities (SEND)
- Children from ethnic minorities
- Children entitled to Free School Meals
- Children for whom English is an Additional Language
- Children who are perceived to be gay, lesbian or bisexual

Signs of Bullying
Staff and parents should be vigilant in looking out for signs of bullying or other child protection issues including:

- Physical: unexplained bruises, scratches, cuts, missing belongings, damaged clothes, or schoolwork, loss of appetite, stomach aches, headaches, bedwetting.

- Emotional: losing interest in school, being withdrawn or secretive, unusual shows of temper, refusal to say why unhappy, high level of anxiety, mood swings, tearfulness for no reason, lack of confidence, headaches and stomach aches, signs of depression.
- Behavioural: asking to be taken to school, coming home for lunch, taking longer to get home, asking for more money, using different routes to school, 'losing' more items than usual, sudden changes in behaviour and mood, concentration difficulties, truancy.

Bullying Prevention

Preventing and raising awareness of bullying is essential in keeping incidents in our school to a minimum. Through assemblies, as well as PSHE lessons, pupils are given regular opportunities to discuss what bullying is, as well as incidents we would not describe as bullying, such as two friends falling out, or a one-off argument. An annual 'Anti-bullying Week' is held to further raise awareness. Pupils are taught to tell an adult in school if they are concerned that someone is being bullied.

E-safety is an important and on-going part of the school Curriculum and information for parents is included in newsletters and on the School's website. E safety workshops are held to raise parents' awareness of cyber-bullying.

Responding to Bullying

All cases of alleged bullying should be reported to SLT. In any case of alleged bullying, a senior member of staff should first establish the facts, and build an accurate picture of events over time, through speaking to the alleged perpetrator(s), victim(s) and adult witnesses, as well as parents and pupil witnesses if necessary and appropriate.

If the allegation of bullying is upheld, SLT will seek to use a restorative approach with the perpetrator(s) and victim(s) both individually and, if the victim agrees, together. The perpetrator(s) should fully understand the consequences of their actions on the victim(s), and apologise without reservation and accept a sanction, which may include; losing
play times, exclusion etc. Both parties should be clear that a repeat of these behaviours will not be acceptable. All bullying incidents must be recorded on MyConcern. Parents of both parties should be informed of the agreed actions.

If the situation does not improve, SLT will meet with the parent(s) of the bullying child(ren) again and agree clear expectations and likely further sanctions if the behaviour continues, this should be shared with the pupils involved. Any further incidents will lead to intervention, this may include a fixed term exclusion and referral to outside agencies.
Further monitoring, support and sanctions as deemed necessary will be put into place. Any necessary action should be taken until the bullying has stopped.

Further information on protecting children from bullying is available at
Protecting children from bullying and cyberbullying | NSPCC Learning
Recognising and responding to child abuse and neglect | NSPCC Learning

Appendix 2: Our School Rules

Remember our School Rules

READY
RESPECTFUL
SAFE

3 keywords to remind children of expectations:
READY: to learn, listen and respond.
RESPECTFUL: respecting all, respecting equality, respecting different opinions, showing kindness, respecting our learning environment.
SAFE: following health and safety and the behaviour policy.

Appendix 3: Guidelines for Staff

Stage of Responding to Behaviour Concerns

STAGE 1

- Attempt to modify behaviour by using positive strategies
- Use sanctions as listed. Colleagues support each other
- Try to communicate with the parents on an informal basis.
- If the behaviour does not improve go to stage 2.

STAGE 2

- Discuss the child with Deputy Headteachers, Assistant Headteacher (AHT) for your phase or Pastoral Officer.
- AHTs will contact parents and invite them to a meeting with themselves and the class teacher.
- It might be appropriate at this time to start a WEEKLY RECORD OF BEHAVIOUR and a GOOD BEHAVIOUR REWARD CHART
- Pastoral Officer or AHT to inform relevant Deputy Headteacher of outcomes of meetings.
- If the behaviour does not improve, go to stage 3

STAGE 3

- To be used if all other methods have been tried **or** if there has been a **very serious** incident of inappropriate behaviour.
- Pastoral Officer or AHT to inform Headteacher or Deputy Headteachers of persistence of challenging behaviours.
- A phone call, followed by a letter to be written to the parents asking them to attend a meeting as soon as possible.
- It may be appropriate at this stage to start a DAILY RECORD OF BEHAVIOUR. The Daily Record identifies times, patterns of behaviours (positive and negative) so that a more detailed analysis can be made of possible triggers.
- The child may be placed on the High Profile programme and SWERRL involved for guidance/ additional strategies.
- Where relevant Pre-Suspension letter to be issued to parents

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All Behaviour is Communication
Three phases to address inappropriate behaviour

Phase One	
Not on task	Stopping and waiting for the children / child to desist from distracting behaviour
Disrupting another child	
Chatting in class	Waiting patiently
Answering back	Making your displeasure clear through non verbal communication (the look)
Not following instructions	
Verbal abuse, minor bad language	Stopping the lesson and explaining expectations (as frequently as needed)
Unsafe movement around the school	
Telling lies /getting others into trouble	Constant reminder of the class rules
Playtime incident (first occurrence)	1 minute deducted from playtime
Destruction of property (first time)	

Phase Two	
Persistence of stage 1 behaviour/repeated breaches of the school rules and values	AHT to speak to the child about their behaviour
Failure to complete tasks / deliberate refusal to work	Communicating child's concerning behaviour to parents
Deliberate destruction of another child's piece of work	Submit a Behaviour Support form: Learning Mentor to observe child
Refusal to follow instructions	
Defiance	Submit and Inclusion Support form: Pastoral Officer to meet with child
Direct verbal abuse - racial/ homophobic/discriminatory abuse or persistent threatening	Meet with Inclusion team for guidance and support
Stealing / Intent to steal	SLT involvement
Isolated acts of violence, including retaliation – kicking, hitting, thumping	Child to attend Reflection session during lunch
Minor Vandalism	
Bullying, persistent name-calling	
Destruction of property	
Sexual harassment, violence or assault	
Possession of any prohibited items	

Phase Three

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Persistence of stage 2 behaviour	Child to attend Behaviour support group
Major disruption of class activity	Child to attend Inclusion support group
Aggressive, violent behaviour causing deliberate injury towards adults or children	Child to attend Reflection session during lunch
Leaving school premises without consent	Communication book agreed with parents / regular meetings with parents
Dangerous refusal to obey instructions	HT involvement
Persistent bad language and verbal/racial/ homophobic/discriminatory abuse	SWERRL referral CAMHS referral MASH referral
Verbal/racial abuse	Counselling
Stealing/intent to steal (persistent)	Fixed term suspension Permanent exclusion
Violent hitting, kicking, fighting	
Vandalism of school property / building	
Carrying offensive weapon or illegal substances	
Repeated incidents of sexual harassment, violence or assault	