



Behaviour and Emotional Regulation Policy (Including physical interventions)

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Roles and responsibilities

The Local Advisory Board board

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

The headteacher

The deputy headteacher is responsible for writing, reviewing and approving this behaviour policy.

The headteacher will ensure that our school environment encourages positive behaviour and that staff deal effectively with poor behaviour, and will monitor how staff implement this policy to ensure rewards and sanctions are applied consistently.

Staff

Staff are responsible for:

Implementing the behaviour policy consistently

Modelling positive behaviour

Providing a personalised approach to the specific behavioural needs of particular pupils

Recording behaviour incidents on Class Charts and/or if relevant on Cpoms

The senior leadership team will support staff in responding to behaviour incidents.

Parents

Parents are expected to:

Support their child in adhering to the pupil code of conduct

Inform the school of any changes in circumstances that may affect their child's behaviour

Discuss any behavioural concerns with the class teacher promptly

Introduction

Kinsale Junior School is part of the Wensum Trust family of schools. The Wensum Trust sees positive relationships in schools as being central to the well-being of children, their families and staff and the foundations of an effective learning environment.

This policy therefore sets out a clear framework for our approach to positive behaviour and relationships in the school. It aims to promote relationships as a key strategy where we understand each other, enabling everyone to work together with the common purpose and aim to help all children to be the best that they can be.

This Behaviour and Emotional Regulation Policy links to the other policies we hold in school:

- Safeguarding Policy (including Child Protection)
- Equality Policy
- Health and Safety Policy
- ICT and e-safety policy
- Trustwide Mental Health, Well-Being and Emotional Regulation Policy

1. Our Aims:

- All children and staff feel valued, respected and safe.
- Each person is treated fairly and in a positive way.
- We recognise behaviour is central to children's wellbeing and learning readiness.

School Ethos:

- We want children to understand their own strengths, differences and skills.
- We understand children will not get behaviour choices right all the time. Using Emotion Coaching, we will work alongside them to develop understanding of how best deal with the feelings and emotions behind unacceptable behaviours.
- A fundamental part of our philosophy is our 'Relational Approach' developing positive relationships with all our children, our families and all adults.
- We model and teach how best to behave, promote high standards and provide a safe learning environment.

Expectations of Behaviour:

In order to maintain a safe, supportive and predictable environment for pupils, we use Emotion Coaching and our Code of Conduct. We ensure flexibility in the application of these systems so that all children are supported. Staff strive to be warm and positive, curious, not furious yet set high expectations. We teach and support pupils to meet expectations and recognise that different children will need adaptations to our approach.

2. Teaching and modelling good behaviour:

• The code of conduct is regularly refreshed with the children via assemblies and in lessons

- All staff use the words 'Ready, Respectful, Safe' to signpost pupils and remind them
 of the code of conduct through the day
- All staff refer to the Code of conduct when talking with children about their behaviour and when setting up routines for their classes
- The 4S's are taught and used when children are moving around the school to keep corridors calm and supportive for all







Rewards:

- Class Charts house points are awarded in classes and by all school staff
- Star of the week announced in Celebration School Assembly
- Head teachers awards, stickers and Class Charts points are awarded for good work and following the 'Code of Conduct'.
- Teachers use positive praise and identify positive behaviours these are celebrated publically. Children may be awarded for specific successes related to individual learning needs.
- Achievements outside of school will be celebrated in assembly, the newsletter or on the school's facebook page.

3. Reminders

We all make mistakes and it's important that students learn from them. Children can be reminded to be ready, respectful and safe three times. Remember to recognise the child's feelings and empathise with them - be kind and positive even when giving reminders..

Giving reminders

- Teachers will remind the whole class first
- If an individual reminder is necessary, move nearer to the child and issue a quiet reminder about the routine. This is reminder 1.

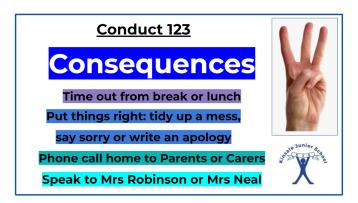
- Adaptations are made as necessary i.e. time for Emotion Coaching, TA support, time out of class etc.
- If the child still doesn't complete the expected routine a second reminder is given privately.
- If a third and final reminder is necessary, teachers make sure that the child isn't
 addressed in front of the class but is fully aware that this is their final reminder
 before a consequence.

Consequences:

We do not publicly 'shame' children. Instead, staff will identify the emotion which is causing unacceptable behaviour. Staff will support the child to control the behaviours and find solutions.

Staff make sure they identify the behaviour which needs to change and not the child themselves. We want children to understand it is healthy to have different emotions. However some feelings such as anger or frustration can lead to some behaviours that are not acceptable and therefore need to change.

Consequences will be considered by a member of staff based on the child's individual needs and understanding. This will include considering the level of emotional development or if the child has additional needs.



4. Managing behaviour during transitions:

Alongside our Code of Conduct, we promote positive behaviour at transition times e.g. lining up, going to different classes, going to play or lunch time. The 4s: moving around the school safely, silently, in a single line and with safe hands has been explained and taught to the pupils. We also use explicit modelling to make clear our expectations at these times, giving plenty of helpful reminders, positivity and praise to help all children understand and adopt the expectations in the best way they can.



5. Emotion Coaching

regulate their behaviour:

Every member of staff is trained in Emotion Coaching and we use this as a tool to help children understand, regulate and reflect on their feelings and behaviour.

An important part of emotion coaching is understanding everybody's stress response and in particular what this can look like in children when they are overwhelmed. Knowing that not all behaviours are within children's control at that time and that they will need support to understand their behaviour is particularly important in reducing high levels of shame.

We label children's stress response as `Flipping their Lid' using Daniel Siegel's Hand Model of the Brain and teach these lessons termly as a reminder to help them understand this feeling.

When children struggle to meet any of the expectations of Our Code (details below) we use the following steps to support them to reflect and



- Step 1: We recognise the child's feelings (STAR Stop, Think, Attune, Reflect): We make a connection with the child before we correct their behaviour. We are curious and try to think what feelings might be behind the behaviour. We empathise with their feelings, (not their behaviour).
- Step 2: We validate their feelings and label them: 'I noticed you looking sad... or 'I can see that you get angry when that happens'.
- Step 3: When the child is calm we set limits (if needed) We discuss that although it is ok to feel a particular way it is not ok to behave in a certain way. We will also talk about school rules or expectations that may have been broken.
- Step 4: We problem solve with the child. We support them to identify how to make the situation better, identifying what needs to happen as a result. This aims to empower the child to do something positive about their behaviour and supports them to self-regulate if faced with a similar situation in the future.

5. Bullying:

The school does not tolerate bullying of any kind. Bullying is commonly defined as negative behaviour towards another that is repeated, done with intention to hurt and often aimed at someone for a specific characteristic or perceived characteristic e.g. race, gender, religion or sexual orientation. Keeping Children Safe in Education (2018) mentions clearly peer-on-peer bullying and forms part of our safeguarding policy.

All reports of bullying are taken seriously and carefully investigated.

Types of Bullying:

Physical (hitting, punching and theft)

- Verbal (name calling, prejudice or racist remarks, threatening remarks)
- Indirect (excluding others from a social group or spreading rumours)
- Cyber bullying (text messaging, email, video calling)

Signs of Bullying:

- Frequent illness
- Being easily upset
- Not wanting to participate in an activity or go out to play
- Becoming withdrawn
- Refusing to say what is wrong
- Deterioration in school work

When we discover an act of bullying may have taken place, we act quickly to make sure further occurrences of such behaviour do not happen. We try our very best to ensure that children attend school without fear. Children are encouraged to speak to their class teacher.

If bullying is witnessed, or reported by staff, children or guardians, the following actions are taken:

- Listen to all accounts of the incidents of all parties involved.
- Invite all parties to share and express their views and feelings.
- Discuss and agree what the expected behaviour should be by all parties.
- If the unacceptable behaviour continues, sanctions will be applied.
- The Head Teacher or Deputy Head Teacher will be informed of any instances of bullying and will involve the parents of both victims and perpetrators.
- The Head Teacher or Deputy Head Teacher will support the class teacher in developing a behaviour plan and seek advice from external agencies if deemed necessary.
- Persistent bullying will result in a fixed term exclusion or a period of time in protected play.

6. Peer on Peer Abuse (Including Sexual Violence and Sexual Harrassment):

Definitions

For the purposes of this policy, the term victim will be used to describe children who have been subject to sexual violence and/or sexual harrassment.

The term 'perpetrator' or 'alleged perpetrator' is used to describe a child accused of carrying out sexual violence and/or sexual harrassment. It is important to highlight that any alleged perpetrator is entitled to, and deserves, support from a Designated Safeguarding Lead/Pastoral Manager.

Sexual Harrassment: Sexual harrassment refers to unwanted conduct of a sexual nature which may occur online or offline. Sexual harrassment violates a pupil's dignity and makes them feel intimated. If left unchallenged, this can create an atmosphere that has the potential to normalise inappropriate behaviour.

Sexual Harrasment includes:

- Sexualised comments or remarks.
- Sexual jokes or taunting.
- Physical behaviour such as deliberately brushing against another pupil or the smacking of bottoms.
- Online harassment including the non-consensual sharing of images and videos,
 'sexting', sending inappropriate comments on social media, exploitation or threats.

Sexual Violence: Sexual Violence refers to three offences: rape, assault by pentration and sexual assault (intentially touching someone in a sexualised manner without consent).

Sexual violence and Sexual Harrassment can occur online and offline, and are never acceptable. All victims should be taken seriously and offered appropriate support.

Prevention: In order to prevent peer-on-peer abuse and address wider societal factors that may influence sexualised behaviour, Kinsale Junior School will educate pupils about abuse, its forms and the importance of discussing any concerns. The school will educate children to respect others, through the use of the curriculum, assemblies, Jigsaw PSHE and Emotion Coaching.

The school will ensure that pupils are taught about safeguarding, including online safety, as part of a broad and balanced curriculum in PSHE and RSE lessons. Content will be of age and stage of development specific, and will investigate issues such as:

- Healthy relationships
- Respectful behaviour
- Gender roles, stereotypes and equality
- Body confidence and self-esteem
- Prejudiced behaviour
- That sexual violence and sexual harrassment is wrong
- Addressing cultures of sexual harrassment.

Pupils are allowed to openly talk about their concerns and sexual behaviour. They are taught how to raise concerns and make a report, including concerns about their peers and how the report will be handled.

Taking Action

When a disclosure is made, staff will report the incident to a Designated Safeguarding Lead and the Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher. Victims will always be taken seriously, reassured, supported and kept safe.

If a friend of the victim makes a report, staff will take action and report this to a Designated Safeguarding Lead.

The Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher and the Designated Safeguarding Lead will decide on the initial response and will take into consideration:

- the victims wishes
- the nature of the incident
- the ages and development stages of the children involved

- any power imbalance between the children
- whether the incident was a 'one-off' or part of a pattern
- any ongoing issues and risks
- the best interests of the child
- that sexual violence and sexual harrassment is always unacceptable.

Immediate consideration will be given as to how best to support the victim, alleged perpetrator and any other children involved. Examples of actions that may be taken are:

- parents/carers will be made aware of the incident(s)
- the proximity of the victim and alleged perpetrator in shared classes will be considered and changed
- the alleged perpetrator may be escorted around the school by a member of staff
- the alleged perpetrator may not attend break or lunch time until a risk assessment has been completed or the allocation has been concluded
- both the victim and the alleged perpetrator will receive pastoral support
- the alleged perpetrator may be removed from the class shared with the victim
- the alleged perpetrator may be excluded for a fixed term.

The school has a duty to safeguard all children. In most cases, such as 'one off' incidents, the school will decide to handle the incident internally through the behaviour policy and by providing pastoral support.

If the child has been seriously harmed, is at risk of serious harm or is in immediate danger, the school will make a referral to the Children's Advice and Duty Service (CADS). Parents will be informed unless there is a compelling reason not to do so. A decision will be made in consultation with Children's Services, this may also include the Police - even if the alleged perpetrator is under the age of 10 years old.

Ongoing Support

Both the victim and alleged perpetrator are entitled to ongoing pastoral support in school. The support given may differ depending on the incident. Such support which may be put in place is:

- 1:1 pastoral support for both victim and alleged perpetrator
- Specific education sessions
- the victim may be referred to an outside agency to offer specialist support or counselling
- for the alleged perpetrator, whether behaviour could be a symptom of their own abuse or the exposure of abusive practices and/or materials.

The school will work with professionals as required to understand why the abuse took place. The school will provide a high level of support to help children understand and overcome the incident. The school will educate the alleged perpetrator to overcome their behaviours and reduce the likelihood of them abusing again.

Consequences for the Alleged Perpetrator

Consequences and actions can be taken whilst investigations are ongoing. The school will make decisions based on each individual case, considering all aspects of the children involved. Consequences will be decided by the Headteacher or Deputy Headteacher and Designated Safeguarding Lead and parents/carers will be informed.

The school recognises that any form of sexual violence and/or sexual harrassment is unacceptable and will take appropriate actions of disciplinary whilst also providing the necessary support for the alleged perpetrator.

Appendix 1 shows the Risk Assessment used for Peer on Peer Abuse.

7. Physical Intervention using Norfolk STEPs:

Restrictive Intervention and restraint is defined as 'planned or reactive acts that restrict an individual's movement, liberty and/or freedom to act indepen.' (Reducing the Need for Restraint and Restrictive Intervention, 2019).

Legal defence for the use of force is based on evidence that the action was justified and was: reasonable, proportionate and necessary. All restrictive physical intervention must be:

- a last resort
- only in response to foreseeable or actual harm
- least intrusive
- for the least amount of time.

The school has invested in training members of staff in Norfolk STEPs training. This training provides members of staff with methods of safe physical intervention to use as a last resort if a child is at risk of harm or putting others at risk of harm.

The lead tutors trained by Norfolk STEPs at Kinsale Junior School are Miss Rosie Howell and Mrs Lucy Taylor.

In the event that a child may need physical intervention, the class teacher and other members of staff working with the child will create a Positive Behaviour Plan. The plan will be reviewed by the Headteacher and/or Deputy Headteacher. The plan will then be reviewed in consultation with the parent/carer.

Some children may have a Positive Behaviour Plan in place even if physical intervention has not taken place. The plan will be put in place as there may be a perceived risk of harm and will be used in case physical intervention is needed in order to keep everyone safe.

When any form of physical intervention for restrictive purposes has taken place, the parent/carer will be informed and be reported on the school's safeguarding software.

Appendix 2 shows the template used for the Positive Behaviour Plan.

8. Exclusion:

There may be occasions when a child has to complete a piece of work with a member of the Leadership team if they are disrupting their class. If disruptions regularly continue and despite working with parents / carers a child might be excluded from certain activities.

If behaviour is serious, for example they threaten the health or safety of other children or adults, a child might be excluded for a fixed term. Children may be placed onto a behaviour plan following their fixed term exclusion. If this poor behaviour continues without improvement, permanent exclusion may need to be considered.

A pupil can be permanently excluded for a serious breach or persistent breaches of the school's behaviour policy and if their being in school would harm the education or welfare of themselves or others.

Permanent exclusion is only used as a last resort and it means that the pupil would no longer be allowed to attend the school.

Appendix 1: Risk Assessment for Peer on Peer Sexual Abuse/ Harmful Sexual Behaviour

Risk Assessment for Peer on Peer Sexual Abuse/ Harmful Sexual Behaviour

The terms victim and alleged perpetrator are used to identify the children involved. There should be no assumption of guilt on the part of the alleged perpetrator, pending investigation.

Each section/question will be considered from the perspective of both pupils involved. All concerns and proposed actions will be recorded. Considerations will be given for the impact on, and the needs of, the wider school community.

A risk assessment will be completed for all cases relating to sexual violence.

Consideration	Risk (consider victim, alleged perpetrator, other pupils and staff.)	Risk Level High, Medium, Low	Actions to reduce risk	Revise Risk Level
What was the nature of the incident?				
Was it a crime?				
Is it necessary to limit the contact between the children involved?				
Is there an actual or perceived threat from the alleged perpetrator to the victim and/or others?				
Is either the victim or the alleged perpetrator at risk of physical harm as a result of this incident?				

Do they share classes?		
Are they likely to come into contact with each other (or anyone else involved in/with knowledge of the incident) outside of school?		
How can contact be limited?		
Is there a risk of harm from social media and gossip?		

Further Action taken by the school:

Action	YES/NO	Date
Police informed		
Referral to MASH		
Referral to external support agencies		
Referral to internal support agencies		
Referral to CAMHS		
Referal to Early Help		
Other		

Positive Behaviour Management Plan

Name:	DOB:	Date:	Version of plan: Review Date:
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Brief description of presenting difficult/dangerous behaviours:		Positive behaviour(s) we wish to see / have:	
Differentiated measures to promote / a-	upport positive behaviours:		
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POSITIVE behaviours you will see:	What you will say and do:	
DIFFICULT behaviours you will see:	What you will say and do:	
DANGEROUS behaviours you will see:	What you will say and do:	
Post incident recovery and debrief measures		
Signature of plan co-ordinator Date		
Signature of parent / carer Date		
Signature of young person (if appropriate)DateDate		