St Mary's Catholic Primary School

Behaviour Policy - Addendum Covid-19

Arrival and Departure

Parents and children to adhere to the allocated drop off and collection times and to maintain a 2m social distance at all times.

Hygiene

Teachers will remind children daily of the need to maintain their personal hygiene and refer to posters in the classroom and around the school.

Children will be advised to follow the school's instructions on hand washing and in the use of the hand sanitiser available.

Teachers to remind children daily of the expectations about sneezing and coughing. Sneeze or cough into your elbow, used tissues to be disposed of carefully and hands washed. Catch it, Bin it, Kill it!

Children to be regularly reminded to avoid touching their mouths, nose and eyes and to inform an adult, as soon as possible, if they are feeling ill eg. hot, coughing etc.

'Bubble' groups'

Children to follow the class teachers' instructions on socialising in school.

In the classroom (Year 1 to Year 6) a 2m distance should be maintained whenever possible, keeping this distance between peers and adults.

When moving through the corridors and during break and lunch times, a 2m distance should be maintained between peers and adults where possible. Where a 'one way system' or a queue is in operation, this should be followed at all times maintaining a 2m distance.

Any apparatus or areas that are taped off are out of bounds and should not be used or the area entered.

Children in EYFS should follow the guidance of their teachers.

Children should remain with their group throughout the day and NOT interact with children from other 'bubbles'.

Equipment

Children in Years 1 to 6 will be given their own equipment and will be encouraged not to share any apparatus. Any equipment that has been shared (more likely in EYFS) should be washed or wiped down after use.

All water bottles and personal possessions to be kept separate and not to be shared.

Toilets

The use of toilets and wash facilities to be monitored by class teachers, only one child at a time to use the facilities.

Anti-social Behaviour

School Behaviour Policy will be followed in the event of any behaviour likely to cause harm eg spitting, deliberately coughing or touching others inappropriately, though the escalation will be raised to the highest level, i.e. children will be sent home on the first occasion.

Please note:

It is inevitable that there will be times when social distancing is breached, this is unavoidable in a primary school setting and recognised by the Government. The Governments guidance for primary schools states that:

'We know that, unlike older children and adults, early years and primary aged children cannot be expected to remain 2 metres apart from each other and staff.' (Planning Guide for Primary Schools-GOV.UK published 14 May 2020)

St Mary's will endeavour to keep children and staff safe at all times. We ask for your co-operation and understanding at what is a very unique time for everyone.