

BEHAVIOUR FOR LEARNING POLICY

Covid-19 Behaviour Addendum

This policy is an addendum to the existing behaviour policy and should be considered alongside the current strategies.

We recognise as a school that returning after such a long time at home presents a unique and challenging set of circumstances. We accept that pupils will take time to settle and establish themselves in a routine; it will feel strange for them to be back in school. Some pupils may feel anxious about their return to school and so extra pastoral care and support will be available on request. This addendum also applies to children with Special Educational Needs or Disability, whose specific needs may result in them finding it more difficult to socially distance or self-regulate.

There will be some additions and amendments to school rules for pupils to follow.

- All members of the John O'Gaunt School will adhere to the 2 metre social distancing guidelines at all times – *2 metre guidance tape has been put down in the corridor to enable this when moving around the school.*
- Pupils will be allocated a table for the day and are not permitted to change seating unless instructed to by a member of staff.
- Pupils are not permitted to have any physical contact with any other student in the school, including siblings; the 2 metre social distancing guidelines should be adhered to at all times, including at break times.
- Pupils are not permitted to share resources or equipment with another student.
- Staff and pupils will take every precaution to reduce the risk of virus transmission by regularly washing hands, applying hand sanitiser, keeping work areas clean and making use of the cleaning materials provided. This includes adopting the 'Catch it, Bin it, Kill it' rules.
- Pupils will be expected to wash their hands at regular intervals during the day – this will be explained to them on arrival.
- Pupils will be expected to use the cleaning equipment available to ensure their area is free from germs.
- Pupils are not permitted to walk away from a member of staff and must remain in the school in the designated area at all times.
- Pupils are not allowed to engage or socialise with any other pupil not within their allocated group (bubble).
- No deliberate acts of spitting or coughing on school grounds or when being transported to and from school.
- Pupils are not permitted to negatively impact the learning of others.
- Pupils will have allocated toilets available for them to use throughout the day. They are not permitted to use any other facilities unless instructed to by a member of staff.
- There will be a one in, one out system when using the toilets.
- Pupils must follow the one way system that is in place and explained to them.
- Pupils are expected to adhere to the safety requirements when using public transport to and from school.

These rules and expectations will be made clear when pupils enter the school. It will continue to ensure the safety of pupils and staff and should be taken very seriously. Any pupils not following these rules are in serious breach of health and safety and are very likely to be sent home. They will not be able to return to school until a risk assessment is completed and they are deemed safe to do so. Dependent on the behaviour and consequences of that behaviour choice, it may result in the student not being permitted to attend again this term or for a given length of time.

Uniform

Pupils are expected in school in full uniform (summer uniform list is permitted). Blazers are not necessary. The school rules for jewellery, hair and make-up remain unaltered.

Mobile Phones

The rules on mobile phones remain unchanged; pupils are not permitted on their phone during school hours.

Entering and Leaving the School Site

Pupils will be given instructions about which entrances that they may or may not use.