

STATEMENT OF BEHAVIOUR PRINCIPLES

June 2026

Our Christian vision:

'We learn together through faith, fun and friendship'

Our Christian vision is underpinned by our biblically-based values:

Courage: *'Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.'* Joshua 1:9

Compassion: *'Clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience,'* Colossians 3:12

Friendship: *'Encourage one another and build each other up.'* 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Truthfulness: *'Tell the truth to each other.'* Zechariah 8:16

Respect: *'Do to others as you would have them do to you.'* Mathew 7:12

Creativity: *'Work hard and cheerfully at all you do'* Colossians 3:23-24 *'Whatever you do, do well,'* Ecclesiastes 9:10-11

The Department for Education requires governing boards to publish a statement of behaviour principles: *'Behaviour and Discipline in Schools: Guidance for Governing Bodies'* (DfE – February 2024).

The purpose of this is to guide the Head Teacher to draw up the positive 'Behaviour Policy' at Willersey C of E Primary School.

This is a statement of principles, not practice:

- Every pupil understands they have the right to feel safe, valued and respected, and to be able to learn free from the disruption of others
- All pupils, staff and visitors are free from any form of discrimination
- Staff and volunteers set an excellent example to pupils at all times
- Rewards and sanctions are used consistently by staff, in line with the behaviour policy
- Reasonable force is only used as a last resort, and in line with the restrictive interventions policy
- The behaviour policy is understood by pupils and staff
- The exclusions policy explains that exclusions will only be used as a last resort, and outlines the processes involved in suspensions and exclusions
- Pupils are helped to take responsibility for their actions

- Families and carers are involved in the handling of behaviour incidents to foster good relationships between the school and pupils' home life

The governing board also emphasises that violence or threatening behaviour will not be tolerated in any circumstances.

This written statement of behaviour principles is reviewed and approved by the governing body annually.

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