



## St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School

### Governor's Statement on Behaviour

#### **Why have we written this statement?**

**The Department of Education requires school governors to produce a statement of principles about behaviour and discipline to help guide the Head Teacher in producing a behaviour policy for the school.**

These principles are outlined below.

#### **What are our principles?**

We believe that excellent behaviour and high standards are essential in order that St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School can deliver high-quality education to its pupils.

Excellent behaviour is at the heart of our successful school, ensuring that pupils make the best possible progress and that staff teach without interruption. A behaviour policy is implemented in school to support this principle.

It is vital that staff, pupils and visitors to the school feel happy and safe. Therefore, St Cuthbert's Catholic Primary School has clear guidance on what is expected from everyone in the school community. Everyone should be free from all forms of discrimination and be treated equally, fairly and with respect. Bullying is not tolerated, and a clear anti-bullying policy is understood and followed closely by staff and pupils to ensure that pupils learn in an open and safe environment. The safety of our pupils is a priority at all times and a clear safeguarding policy is in place to protect vulnerable pupils from harm.

Excellent behaviour is expected at all times; it is recognised, praised and rewarded and actions are taken against unacceptable behaviour, in line with our behaviour policy.

During unsupervised activities in school, for example, Parents Association (PALS) events, pupils are the responsibility of their carers and are expected to follow directions given by the organisers and staff at all times, with appropriate regard for their own safety, other people and security of the premises.

Pupils outside of the school premises and when in school uniform are expected to understand that excellent behaviour is essential. The Head Teacher may take action, if their behaviour brings the school into disrepute.

Parents and carers are actively encouraged to maintain close communication with staff so a shared priority of the wellbeing and safety of all is sustained.

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