

STATEMENT OF BEHAVIOUR PRINCIPLES

This statement has been drawn up in accordance with DfE guidance - Behaviour and Discipline in Schools, February 2014.

It is the responsibility of the governing body to:

- Make, and from time to time review, a written statement of general principles to guide the headteacher in determining measures to promote good behaviour and discipline amongst pupils.
- Notify the headteacher and give related guidance if the governing body wants the school's behaviour policy to include particular measures or address particular issues.

The school is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and expects all members of the school community to share in this commitment. Everyone at St George's C of E (VA) Infant School and St Margaret's C of E (VA) Junior School wants the schools to be a happy, successful and safe places to learn.

The Governing Body has therefore established the following principles upon which the Behaviour Policy and Home School Agreement are based:

Our principles are that:

- Staff, governors and pupils will be polite and respectful at all times, to each other and to visitors.
- All staff and governors will be good role models for our pupils.
- Any form of discrimination or bullying will be addressed promptly.
- Staff and the governing body will provide opportunities for pupils to take responsibility and be involved in decision making.
- Expectations of staff, governors and pupils will be explicit and consistent.
- Staff will be fair and consistent and foster a culture in which pupils' achievements are recognised and celebrated.
- Staff and governors will ensure high expectations of behaviour promote a safe, happy and stimulating environment in which highly effective teaching and learning can take place.
- Staff will be empowered to take prompt and effective action when pupils behave inappropriately and all behavioural issues will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.
- It is the headteacher and staff's statutory authority to discipline pupils for misbehaviour which occurs in school and, in some cases, outside of school. The school will work in partnership with home and external agencies to maximise the chances of every pupil behaving responsibly.

This statement of principles is to be taken in conjunction with the school's Behaviour Policy and Home School Agreement which are reviewed and approved each year by the governing body. More details of the Behaviour Policy can be obtained from the school office/ school website.