

# Behaviour Policy Parent Information September 2023

This booklet contains important information for parents about our Behaviour Policy.

Please scan the QR code below to access our full policy.



# A message to parents

Dear Parents/Carers,

I am delighted to share with you details of our Behaviour Policy. We regularly reiterate key aspects of this policy with children in assemblies and in classrooms.

At South Borough, we value the importance of working in partnership with parents to maintain high standards of behaviour and support children to reflect on their choices. It is extremely important that parents understand and support the school's behaviour policy and help their children understand why respecting this policy is important for the well-being of every pupil and the smooth running of the school.

You will notice a number of key elements in this policy. We routinely use the **Zones of Regulation**, which support children in developing a clear language of behaviour and wellbeing. The Zones of Regulation curriculum supports children to: understand their emotions; recognise their own triggers and respond to an emotion using a range of strategies. We also have very clear school values of **respect, kindness** and **determination** together a clear set of **'expected behaviours'** so that children understand fully how to conduct themselves at our school.

South Borough Primary School is proud to be an **inclusive school** who welcomes children from all backgrounds and varying needs. Children with behavioural needs and difficulties will be supported. Please trust that staff will work relentlessly to put behaviour support plans and strategies in place to provide the necessary support.

**South Borough Primary School** is also a **restorative school**, where children will feel safe and able to make mistakes. The restorative approach empowers those involved to reflect on what has happened, convey the impact of harm to those responsible, and for those responsible to acknowledge this impact, take steps to put it right and consider what they could do differently next time.

Thank you in advance for your support with our behaviour policy. Please scan the QR code on the front page to access the full policy.

Kind regards

Mr M Currie Headteacher

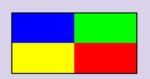
# **Behaviour Policy Highlights**



School values of RESPECT, KINDNESS and DETERMINATION.



We have a clear **CODE OF CONDUCT** which lists **EXPECTED BEHAVIOURS** at South Borough.



We use the **ZONES OF REGULATION** to help children understand their feelings.



We use colours to represent behaviours. **PURPLE** = expected behaviours; **ORANGE** = unexpected behaviours.



**POWER OF PURPLE** awards given to one child per class each week who has shown expected behaviours to an exemplary level.



Clear **FOUR STEP PROCESS** to support children who are showing 'unexpected behaviours'.



Detailed **BEHAVIOUR SUPPORT PLANS** for those children who require additional support.

# **Behaviour Policy Highlights**



We are proud to be an **INCLUSIVE SCHOOL**, who caters for the needs of all children. Pupils with additional needs may require reasonable adjustments and personalised behaviour strategies, which we will actively support.



The school might deal with **UNEXPECTED BEHAVIOURS OUTSIDE OF SCHOOL,** including those online.



CONSEQUENCES GIVEN ARE DECIDED BY THE SCHOOL.

Parents will only be informed of consequences given to their child. Consequences and outcomes related to other children will remain confidential.



**BULLYING** and/or discrimination is not tolerated. We will investigate any allegations thoroughly.



**REFUSAL TO COMPLETE WORK**. Your child will be expected to catch up at break, lunch or home.

**REFUSAL TO FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS**. 5 minutes given and then parents will be contacted.

### **Rewards**

The rewards for showing expected behaviours are in many cases intrinsic. We recognise that feeling good and proud about something you have done is in itself a very significant reward. However, children can work towards these rewards:



#### **Individual Dojos**

Awarded in lessons for special effort. Prize for achieving target: 30

#### **Class Dojos**

All Dojos are added to the class total. Class Dojos can be awarded for the class working together.
Class decides on reward. 1500
Dojos = reward



#### **Power of Purple Award**

Awarded to one child per class per week who has consistently shown expected behaviours.

Children who achieve these awards will:

- Be invited to breakfast on a Friday.
- Have the 'best seats in the house' in assembly.
- Be awarded a certificate in the Friday assembly and Power of Purple shield in assembly.
- Have an opportunity to enter the Purple Photo Booth for a Power of Purple Pose!

#### **Top Banana**



End of each day, teachers will nominate one child in their class to be 'Top Banana'. Sticker given and parents told.

#### **Stickers**

Given for following the Expected Behaviours around the school, outside of classroom lessons.



#### Other Awards

Other rewards may well be given out as a form of recognition.

#### **Reading Awards**

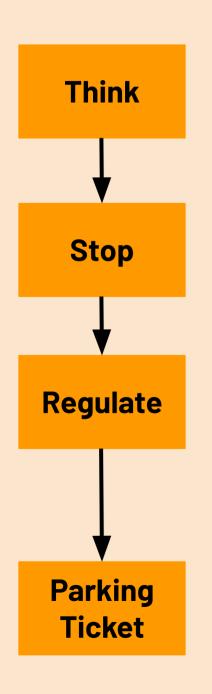
We are making some changes to this and will let you know details soon.

# **Unexpected Behaviours**

Unexpected behaviours give people uncomfortable thoughts about you. These behaviours affect others' thoughts, feelings and their emotions in a negative way and promote a negative learning environment. They are represented by the colour <u>orange</u>.

Children showing unexpected behaviours are supported to re-regulate as quickly as possible and return to a state where they are able to demonstrate the expected behaviours again.

If a child is showing 'unexpected behaviours', staff will follow this four step process.





An **orange card** is shown, followed by the word **'think'**. When the child shows expected behaviours, a **Purple card** is shown.



If your child continues to show unexpected behaviours, an **orange card** is shown, followed by the word **'stop'**. A verbal reminder of our expectations is also given.



If the child continues to show unexpected behaviours, they will be asked to move to the in class 'Regulation Station'. This is time at the dedicated place in the classroom to regulate their emotions before rejoining the class. Each regulation station will have a box of activities to support children with regulating their emotions. Any missed learning at this point would then need to be made up at break time or at home.



Reaching this stage means a child is choosing to ignore all previous warnings, conversations and support that has been offered. This is deemed to be persistent, intentional demonstration of unexpected behaviours. At this stage a 'parking ticket' will be issued to the child, to go to either a partner class or senior leader. They will complete a Reflection Sheet and will have a meeting to reflect on their behaviour and agree a way forward. Parents will be told if their child receives a parking ticket.

# **Zones of Regulation**

We recognise the importance of promoting positive behaviour and emotional wellbeing to our pupils. To support us with this, we use the Zones of Regulation curriculum. This helps children better understand their emotions and teaches a range of strategies to cope and manage their emotions based on which colour zone they're in. Additionally, the Zones of Regulation help children to recognise their own triggers, learn to read facial expressions, develop problem-solving skills, and become more attuned to how their actions affect other people.

The Zones of Regulation is based around the use of four colours to help children self-identify how they're feeling and categorise it based on colour, which are clearly displayed in all classrooms. It's OK to be in any zone.

#### **BLUE ZONE**

I ow state of alertness

A person may be described as sad, tired, sick or bored.

#### **GREEN ZONE**

Ideal state of alertness

A person may be described as calm, happy, focused, or content. The student feels a strong sense of internal control.

#### **YELLOW ZONE**

Heightened state of alertness

A person may be experiencing stress, frustration, anxiety, excitement, silliness. The student's energy is elevated yet he or she feels some sense of internal control.

#### **RED ZONE**

Extremely heightened state of alertness

A person may be experiencing anger, rage, explosive behavior, panic, extreme grief, terror, or elation and feels a loss of control.

# **Restorative Approach**

At South Borough, we follow the Restorative Approach. Restorative language is a calm, fair and respectful way of communicating which allows each person to express their thoughts and feelings. It helps maintain positive relationships within the school. If there has been conflict, it focuses on the harm that has been caused and ways to repair the harm and repair the relationship.

These restorative questions are used in response to specific incidents.

#### What happened?

Drawing out each person's story, starting with the person who has caused the harm. The aim is not to come to a definitive conclusion but for all parties to be listened to.

#### What were you thinking/feeling?

To ascertain what each person was thinking and feeling at the time, before and now.

#### Who has been affected and how?

Who has been harmed/affected? Older children are encouraged to think about the wider implications of who has been affected eg staff, families

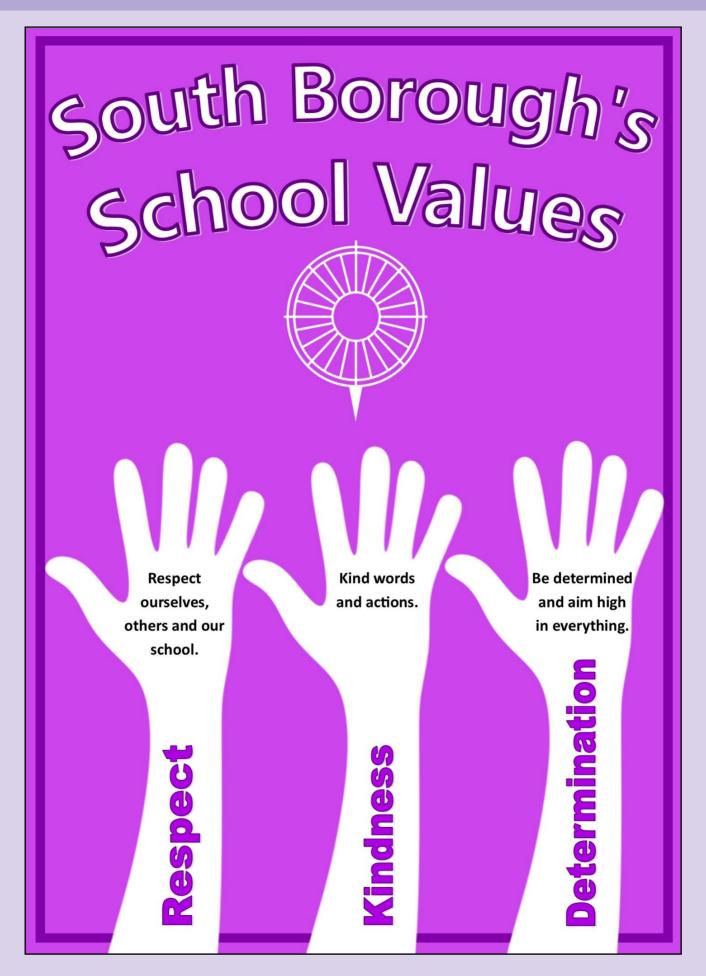
#### What do you think/feel about it now?

What those affected need to feel better, move on, repair harm and rebuild relationships.

#### What needs to happen next to make things right?

Agreeing and negotiating to meet the agreed needs above. What support will they need? Pupils to form their own agreement where possible with some staff guidance.

## **School Values**



We use our school values as guides for the way we behave, perform and interact with each others. The school values are displayed clearly around the school.

# **Code of Conduct (Expected Behaviours)**

Expected behaviours give people around you comfortable thoughts about you. These behaviours affect others' thoughts, feelings and their emotions in a positive way and promote a positive learning environment. They are represented by the colour <u>purple</u>.

The aim of the school's 'expected behaviours' is to ensure all children understand what is expected of them. We teach these expectations to all children from Nursery to Year 6 and show children what each expectation means.

Children will be shown a 'purple card' when they are showing expected behaviours, both inside and outside of the classroom.

# Expected Behaviours

#### **Kindness** Determination Respect We keep our hands and our feet to • We try hard in everything we do. • We say 'thank you' to others. We don't give up - we ask for help if We greet people by saying 'Good We use kind words and think before morning' or 'Good afternoon'. we need it. we speak. We hold doors open for other people. We learn from any mistakes we make. We share and take turns with others. • We walk calmly and silently around • We aim to be the best we can be in school. We let others join in our games and everything we do. groups. • We keep our school tidy and clear · We take risks with our learning. away the mess. We congratulate and encourage each • We reflect and always strive to other. · We look after our own and other improve. people's belongings. We own up when you have done something wrong. We keep ourselves smart and look after our school uniform. • We celebrate people's differences. • We listen carefully to the views and opinions of others.