



Behaviour in School during the COVID-19 measures

Annex to our Behaviour Policy June 2020

Please read this Annex in conjunction with our school Behaviour Policy, the contents of which still apply at this time.

St Edmund's Catholic Primary School Behaviour Policy

In response to a partial reopening of schools from June 1st the following additions have been made to our Behaviour Policy. All of the following expectations have been put in place to ensure the safety of our whole school community. These measures are subject to change as more children return to school and will be amended in accordance with our Risk Assessment.

From Tuesday 2nd June 2020 we are open to children of Key Workers and Year 1 pupils. All parents must have registered their child with us **before** they are able to return to school.

Routines for arrival and departure from school

Children for Year 1 will enter at the KS1 Gate only (Bounces Road). Parents should queue there from the gate down Bounces Road and wait for their child to be registered and received, while maintaining a 2m distance. Adults will not be allowed into the playground in the mornings. Please follow staff directions at all times and adhere to social distancing guidance. If you need to speak to the teacher you will need to phone the school office.

At the end of the day, parents should queue at the same gate in the same direction as for the morning. Only 1 adult per child will be allowed entry in groups of 4 at a time. Again please follow staff directions. Please do not stop to chat to staff and please maintain a 2m distance between yourself and the next parent and child. You will not be able to speak to the class teacher in person. Please continue to communicate with teachers by phoning the school office.

We will add further details and arrangements for other Year Groups when it is deemed safe for them to return to school

Key Worker children will enter and leave the school through the school hall. Parents will not be allowed inside the school building.

Hygiene

Hand washing facilities will be available in each classroom and children will be told to wash their hands frequently throughout the day. Children will use soap and wash their hands as advised by

Public Health England. Posters will be displayed around the school to remind children of the hand washing recommendations.

Children will notify staff if they need to use the toilet and there will be a one way system to ensure social distancing and hand washing.

Children will be taught to cover their mouth with a tissue or with their elbow if they need to cough or sneeze. We follow the 'Catch it, bin it, kill it' approach. Posters will be displayed to remind pupils of these basic hygiene routines.

We will remind children not to touch their mouth, nose or eyes unless necessary and they will be asked to wash their hands if they do.

On the first day of school children will bring a refillable bottle of water, labelled with their name. This will stay in school. Pupils should not bring personal items to school: No school bags, no book bags, no lunch boxes, and no pencil cases.

Limited resources will be used in school. Resources necessary for teaching activities will be kept within groups and not shared with other groups unless they have been cleaned. Children will have their own necessary equipment eg. Pencil, scissors etc. and will not be allowed to share these.

Pupils should wear their PE kit or shorts and T-shirt, which should be changed and washed daily. They may wear plimsolls or trainers to school to allow for physical activities outside. Pupils may also wear their own home shorts and t-shirt if they have outgrown their current PE kit or it is being washed.

Coughing or spitting at or towards another person

Children who cough or spit intentionally towards another person will be removed from their group and parents will be informed. We will take any incidents that place children or staff at increased risk very seriously.

Social distancing

Classrooms have been rearranged in order to seat children at a 2 metre distance from their peers. We will endeavour to keep the children at a distance from their peers at all times but are aware that within a school environment they may become closer as they move around. Staff will remind children to move further away from their peers or staff members if they become too close. Children will be kept in small groups and will not mix with children from other groups during the school day.

Break and Play times

For Year 1 pupils packed lunches will be provided by the schools meal service and made on site in the kitchen. Children will eat their packed lunch in their classroom.

Key Worker pupils will bring their own packed lunch to school and will eat in socially distanced groups in the school hall.

The KS1 playground has been divided in half in order that a maximum of two groups are able to use the playground whilst maintaining enough space for social distancing. Groups will be on a rota for playground times, both for break times and more structured outdoor and PE activities.

Illness

Children must not attend school if they are unwell. If they begin to feel unwell while at school they must notify an adult who will ensure that parents are contacted to collect their child. Children who are unwell while at school will be isolated from other pupils.

Individual Risk Assessments

Individual Risk assessments will be completed for children who may have difficulties understanding and/ or adhering to these safety measures.

Conduct for Remote Learners

We continue to have high expectations of pupils behaviour and conduct whilst working remotely, particularly with regards to their use of the Internet and communication with other pupils through phones and social media.

Please refer to our [Online Safety Policy](#) for details.

Reward and Sanction Systems

In St. Edmund's we always aim to promote and reward positive behaviour. Children will be verbally praised when showing examples of positive behaviour and rewards may be used if appropriate.

Children will be given reminders of the expectations outlined in this Behaviour Policy Annex throughout the day as we understand that these expectations are new and may not come naturally at first, especially to the younger children. However, we must ensure that these expectations are adhered to as much as is **reasonably** possible in order to keep our children and staff safe.

Deliberate non-compliance of these expectations will be taken seriously and parents will be contacted immediately if we feel that any child is deliberately placing children or staff at increased risk.

This Annex follows guidance as published by the Government, which can be found on the following link:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/preparing-for-the-wider-opening-of-schools-from-1-june/planning-guide-for-primary-schools#annex-a-behaviour-principles>