



Behaviour Policy COVID-19 Update

May 2020

This update is to be read in conjunction with Buckingham Primary Academy's Behaviour Policy, May 2020.

Due to COVID-19, we recognise that children need to behave differently when they return to us. We have put new routines in place and included new rules to support social distancing to support us in trying to keep both children and staff safe.

Arriving and departing at Buckingham Primary Academy:

Arriving and departing from Buckingham Primary Academy is being completed on a 'staggered' basis to try and maintain social distancing between different groups of children and parents. Each group is being given a specific arrival and departure time. This information is available on the school's website.

The School Day:

The school day looks very different in order to maintain social distancing between individual children within a group and between groups of children:

- ✓ Staggered arrival and departure times.
- ✓ Staggered timetabled opportunities to use the toilets – children will be able to go to the toilets outside of these times, but they will always be supervised by an adult to ensure social-distancing at all times. No more than two children will be allowed in the toilets to ensure social distancing.
- ✓ Staggered timetabled opportunities to use the outside areas at break and lunchtimes.
- ✓ Lunches to be consumed in classrooms to maintain social-distancing and supervised by the same adult (wherever possible to limit the number of staff coming into contact with the children). The lunch hall will only be used for one class group to ensure pupils are not coming into contact with other pupils in other groups.
- ✓ Children to be based in one classroom at all times.



Hygiene:

Hygiene is very important in safeguarding our children against COVID-19. Therefore:

- ✓ Children will wash their hands:
 - On entry to the school
 - Before break
 - After break
 - Before lunch
 - After lunch
 - Before they go home

- ✓ Each child in (Y1 to Y6) will have a plastic wallet that will contain their essential equipment (pencil, pencil sharpener, glue, white board, pen and a ruler) that they will wipe down with an antibacterial wipe at the end of the day before they leave. They will not share their equipment with other pupils.
- ✓ If children and staff, cough and/or sneeze they will 'catch it, bin it, kill it'.

The poster consists of three vertically stacked sections. The top section is titled 'CATCH IT' and features a blue circle with a white hand icon. The middle section is titled 'BIN IT' and features a blue circle with a white trash bin icon. The bottom section is titled 'KILL IT' and features a blue circle with a white hand icon. Below these sections is the NHS logo.

- ✓ Children will be encouraged by staff at all times to avoid touching their mouths, nose and eyes with their hands.
- ✓ Hand sanitiser will be available at all times for both children and staff to use.
- ✓ Tables and work spaces will be wiped down by staff at break and lunch times.
- ✓ If children feel unwell, at any time, they will be encouraged to tell an adult.

In the event of any child who **coughs and/or spits** towards any other person in school, this will be treated with the upmost seriousness and may result in the child receiving a fixed term exclusion as this behaviour is highly dangerous. Each incident will be treated on a case by case basis.

Positive Handling:

Physical intervention may be considered in the event of a serious incident where child welfare/safety is apparent. (Some pupils may have a risk assessment plan in place. De-escalation strategies are always used in the first instance).

Rewards and Sanctions

Rewards:

We praise and reward children for good behaviour in a variety of ways:

- Teachers praise children for their efforts in class and continually promote what is good learning behaviour.
- Each week we nominate one child from each class to be the star of the week. The nomination is from either the teacher or it is the pupils' choice. Each star of the week receives a certificate in the celebration assembly. During COVID-19 year groups who are home learning will receive a certificate via class dojo. Those year groups in school will receive a certificate within their class group.