



## **Appendix A**

### **Behaviour Policy – What the Law says for Maintained Schools**

1.  
The Headteacher must set out measures in the behaviour policy which aim to:
  - promote good behaviour, self-discipline and respect;
  - prevent bullying;
  - ensure that pupils complete assigned work;  
and which
  - regulate the conduct of pupils.
  
2.  
When deciding what these measures should be, the Headteacher must take account of the Governing Body's statement of behaviour principles. The Headteacher must have regard to any guidance or notification provided by the governing body which may include the following:
  - screening and searching pupils;
  - the power to use reasonable force and other physical contact;
  - the power to discipline beyond the school gate;
  - when to work with other local agencies to assess the needs of pupils who display continuous disruptive behaviour; and
  - pastoral care for staff accused of misconduct.
  
3. The Headteacher must decide the standard of behaviour expected of pupils at the school. He or she must also determine the school rules and any disciplinary penalties for breaking the rules.
  
4. Teachers' powers to discipline include the power to discipline pupils even when they are not at school or in the charge of a member of staff.
  
5. The Headteacher must publicise the school behaviour policy, in writing, to staff, parents<sup>2</sup> and pupils at least once a year.
  
6. The school's behaviour policy must be published on its website (School Information (England) Regulations 2008). Where they do not have a website the Governing Body should make arrangements for the behaviour policy to be put on a website and to make the address and details (of the website) known to parents.

**Our policy reflects the *Equality Act 2010* and Schools in respect of safeguarding and in respect of pupils with special educational needs (SEN).**