Behaviour Principles

This is a statement of principles, not practice.

Practical applications of these principles are the responsibility of the Headteacher.

The Governors at Lugwardine Primary Academy, believe that high standards of behaviour lie at the heart of a successful school and enable children to make the best possible progress in all aspects of their school life.

The purpose of this statement is to give guidance to the Headteacher in drawing up the behaviour policy by stating the principles the Governors expect to be followed. The Headteacher has a duty to publish the statement on the school website.

The Headteacher will develop the Behaviour Policy with reference to the DfE guidance documents.

Principles:

- All children, staff and visitors have the right to feel safe, valued and respected, and learn free from the disruption of others
- Lugwardine Primary Academy is an inclusive school and all pupils, staff and visitors are free from any form of discrimination
- Staff and volunteers set an excellent example to pupils at all times
- Rewards, sanctions and reasonable force are known, understood and used consistently by staff, in line with the behaviour policy
- The behaviour policy and associated school rules are understood by pupils and staff
- It is recognised that the use of rewards and sanctions must have regards to the
 individual situation and the individual student and the Headteacher is expected to use
 their discretion in their use. Sanctions however should be applied fairly, consistently,
 proportionally and reasonably, taking into account SEND, disability and the needs of
 vulnerable children, offering support as necessary
- The behaviour policy explains that exclusions will only be used as a last resort, and outlines the processes involved in permanent and fixed-term exclusions
- Pupils are helped to take responsibility for their actions
- Positive relationships with pupils and a culture of praise and encouragement are fostered within the school
- Governors expect pupils and parents to cooperate to maintain an orderly climate for learning.
- Families are involved in behaviour incidents to foster good relationships between the school and pupils' home life

The governing board also emphasises that violence or threatening behaviour or abuse by pupils or parents towards the school staff will not be tolerated. If a parent does not conduct themselves properly, the school may ban them from the school premises and, if they continue to cause disturbance, he or she may be liable to prosecution.