



Behaviour Principles Written Statement:

- All children will be expected to take responsibility for their own actions and this responsibility will increase as the children move through the school.
- The school will have the same high expectations of behaviour for all its children. However, some children develop socially and emotionally at different rates and or have additional conditions which will impact on their ability to self-regulate and following instructions. These children will receive additional, appropriate support to help them achieve the expected standard.
- Good behaviour will be highlighted, promoted and rewarded whilst poor behaviour will always be addressed and dealt with consistently by all members of staff.
- Bullying –including prejudicial discrimination on the grounds of protected characteristics - will be regarded seriously and tackled swiftly and robustly.
- Systems of behaviour management will be explicit and understood by all children, parents and members of staff.
- Whilst dealing with poor behaviour, all staff will make clear to the child that it is the behaviour that is disliked, not the child and that we are working together to help them manage challenging situations better.
- Once an incident of poor behaviour has been dealt with the child will always be given a fresh start.
- The school will work in partnership with parents and carers, sharing the same expectations and giving mutual support.
- The need for good behaviour applies not just in school or on school trips but also extends outside the school grounds, including travelling to and from school, and when pupils are wearing the uniform of Mill Rythe Junior School.
- On extremely rare occasions, it may be necessary for staff to use reasonable force or make physical contact with pupils in order to prevent pupils or staff coming to physical harm or prevent damage to school property. The use of force or restraint will always be the absolute minimum necessary to ensure safety and avoided wherever possible.
- Some items are not allowed on school premises, for example penknives or fireworks. If there is any reason to believe that a pupil is carrying dangerous or prohibited items then it may be necessary to search the pupil and confiscate the items.
- The use of the Behaviour Policy should be supported by all; however, there may be occasions when this will result in complaints of misconduct against school staff. Such complaints will always be taken seriously, fully investigated and appropriate action taken but staff accused of misconduct will also be supported through this process.