



THE ARCHBISHOP'S SCHOOL
CANTERBURY

The Archbishop's School Principles of Behaviour Statement February 2021

Context

The Archbishop's School Governing Body is charged with the duty to set the framework of the School's Behaviour for Learning Policy by providing a written statement of general principles relating to behaviour, taking into account the needs of all staff and students.

The purpose of this statement is to give guidance to the Head Teacher in drawing up the Behaviour for Learning Policy by stating the principles which the Governors expect to be followed. The Policy aims to underpin the Governors' duty of care to students and employees; promote teaching and learning and high standards of attainment and preserve the reputation of the School. This Statement and the Behaviour for Learning Policy will be reviewed every two years, unless changes at national or local level necessitate an exceptional review. The statement is available upon request from the School and can be found on the School's website.

The distinctive Christian vision is at the heart of every decision and action at The Archbishop's School. Therefore, these behaviour principles are shaped and driven by its wording and the example Jesus set out in the story of the Good Shepherd.

I have come to give you everything in abundance, more than you expect – life in its fulness until you overflow. John 10:10

Together with God, we enable all to flourish and fulfil their potential. Within our inclusive and aspirational learning community, we nurture creativity and inspire minds to be ready for the next step.

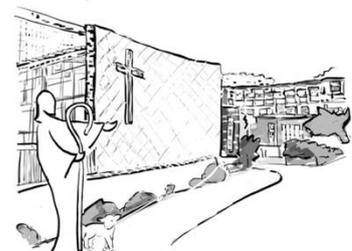
Following the example of Jesus, we forgive, act wisely and treat all with dignity and respect, preparing our hearts and minds to be generous and compassionate pilgrims in the world.

Enter to Learn, Go Forth to Serve

A shepherd uses his knowledge of the landscape to guide his sheep through the pastures to find food and water and to avoid places of danger.

To the shepherd, each sheep is precious, so he cares for them by putting clear paths of travel to ensure their safety and flourishing.

Following this example, The Archbishop's School ensures clear boundaries and expectations of behaviour are put in place to enable all to feel safe so they can flourish academically, mentally, spiritually and physically.



Principles

- Every member of The Archbishop's School community understands they have the right to feel safe, valued and respected, to enable all to flourish and fulfil their potential.
- The Archbishop's School is an inclusive school; all members of the school community should be free from discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010.
- All adults – staff, volunteers and governors set an excellent example to students at all times.
- All members of the school community behave in a polite and considerate manner, treating each other, the school buildings and themselves with dignity and respect.
- Students behave in a manner which supports their own learning, and that of other students, and does not jeopardise the health and safety of any member of the school community.
- The Behaviour for Learning Policy is consistently followed and understood by students and staff.
- The school's Behaviour for Learning Policy and Anti-Bullying Policies will be applied with consistency and fairness, with regard to each individual situation.
- The emphasis will be on encouraging positive behaviour through high expectations; the modelling of good behaviour; a focus on learning; and praise and rewards.
- Sanctions, when necessary, will enable the student to reflect on, and learn from their behaviour and to make reparation wherever possible.
- That each student receives behavioural support according to their need. The School will seek advice and support from appropriate outside agencies where concerns arise over a student's behaviour.
- Students are helped to take responsibility for their actions.
- Families are involved in behaviour incidents to foster good relationships between the school and students' home life.

The Governing Body emphasises that violence or threatening behaviour will not be tolerated in any circumstances.

This written statement and the policies that are influenced by it apply to all students when in school, when engaged in extra-curricular activities such as educational trips and visits (residential and non-residential), when travelling to and from school and when being educated as a member of The Archbishop's School.

This written statement of behaviour principles is reviewed and approved by the Full Governing Body every two years.

Signed:

Date:

To be reviewed:

Kim Stoner, Chair of Governors

9th February 2021

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