

## **Behaviour Management Policy**

#### Rationale

A safe and orderly school environment is important to learning. Disruptive classroom behaviour is known to interfere with learning and is a cause of stress and concern for students, teachers and families. At Kinross Primary School we provide every student with the educational support the student needs to learn and maintain positive behaviour. This policy aims to outline the strategies and procedures that our school uses to maintain a positive school approach and the good order of the school.

#### Aim

To develop attitudes and behaviour that will result in a safe, caring and mutually respectful environment in which teachers have a right to teach and students have a right to learn.

#### **Key Values**

At Kinross PS we show CARE as we grow together:

- Care and Compassion
- > Acceptance
- Respect and Resilience
- > Excellence

#### **Expected Student Behaviours**

Students are expected to:

- Treat others with respect and courtesy
- > Follow staff member's instructions promptly at all times
- > Play friendly, cooperative games and consider the safety of others
- Respect other people's belongings, school property and the environment
- Use appropriate language
- Display the school values in everything we do
- Strive for your personal best

#### **Rights and Responsibilities**

It is the right of all members of the school community to experience a safe, pleasant and supportive learning and teaching environment.

STUDENTS HAVE A RIGHT TO:		STUDENTS HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO:	
•	Learn in a purposeful and supportive	•	Ensure that their behaviour does not
	environment.		intimidate others.
•	Work and play in a safe, secure, friendly	•	Ensure that their behaviour is not
	and clean environment.		disruptive to the learning of others.

•	Respect, courtesy and honesty. Equal treatment regardless of status, race, gender or physical ability. Interact with others in an atmosphere free from harassment and bullying.	<ul> <li>Ensure that the learning environment is kept neat, tidy and safe.</li> <li>Ensure that they are punctual, polite and prepared.</li> <li>Behave in a way that protects the rights, safety and well-being of others.</li> </ul>
	STAFF HAVE A RIGHT TO:	STAFF HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO:
•	Respect, courtesy and honesty. Teach in a safe, secure and clean environment. Teach in a purposeful and non-disruptive environment. Cooperation and support from parents in matters relating to their children's education.	<ul> <li>Be vigilant about bullying.</li> <li>Make students and parents aware of these policies.</li> <li>Model respectful, courteous and honest behaviour.</li> <li>Ensure that the learning environment is kept neat, tidy and safe.</li> <li>Establish positive relationships with students, staff and parents.</li> <li>Ensure good organisation and planning.</li> <li>Report students' progress to parents.</li> </ul>
	PARENTS HAVE A RIGHT TO:	PARENTS HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY TO:
•	Expect that bullying will be countered and dealt with. Be informed of course and curriculum material, behaviour management procedures and decisions affecting their child's health and welfare. Be informed of their child's progress. Be heard in an appropriate forum on matters related to the rights of their child to an appropriate education. Cooperation and support from teachers in matters relating to their child's education.	<ul> <li>Inform the school about bullying when appropriate.</li> <li>Ensure that their child attends school regularly and punctually.</li> <li>Ensure that the physical and emotional condition of their child is appropriate for effective learning.</li> <li>Ensure that their child is provided with the correct materials to make effective use of the learning environment.</li> <li>Support the school in providing an appropriate education for their children.</li> <li>At all times behave respectfully and cooperatively when a visitor on the school grounds.</li> <li>Use social media appropriately and be a positive role model for online behaviour</li> </ul>

#### **Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL)**

At Kinross PS we aim to prevent misbehaviour through creating environments where students belong.

'If the teacher fails to realize the importance of creating an environment where students feel they belong, where they are safe, where their voice is respected and where they are encouraged to learn, the teacher will struggle to actively and meaningfully involve students in the process of learning.' Barrie Bennett 1994

At Kinross PS we focus on 4 key concepts to ensure all students feel a strong sense of belonging.

- Winning over: What teachers say and do to maintain and enhance their social relationship with students-show interest in the personal lives of each child
- Positive cohesive bonding: Strengthening the relationships between students, and teacher and students, aim to engage students in activities of high quality, high energy, high interaction and high interest or fun
- Inclusiveness: Ensure all students belong-inspect and overcome biases related to equity issues eg racial, gender, socio-economic, special needs
- Safe environment: The extent to which the teacher and students feel that their sense of self is not at risk

A focus on positive behaviours will:

- Maximise academic achievement: less time is spent on behaviour management and more time is freed up for instruction and engagement
- Decrease reactive management: waiting for problem behaviour to occur and then reacting to it increases the level of disruption to teaching and learning
- Increase active prevention: teaching and acknowledging students for appropriate behaviour increases the likelihood they will continue to use it
- Improve classroom climate for all: positively acknowledging appropriate behaviour strengthens teacher-student relationships
- Improve support for students with emotional and behavioural difficulties: in safe and predictable classrooms and schools, these students are less anxious and have fewer reasons for "acting out."

#### **School Programs**

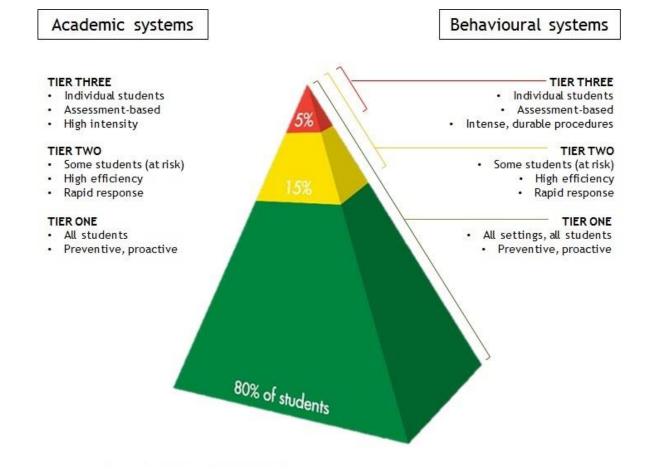
At Kinross PS there is a focus on the prevention of negative behaviours. The following school programs and strategies are implemented across the school to enhance the social and emotional learning of our students.

- Friendology
- Protective Behaviours K-6
- Mindfulness, Meditation and Brain-Breaks
- Zones of Regulation P-6
- Clubs including Makerspace Club, Jump Jam, Resource Rescuers, Garden Club
- Loose Parts Hubs in the playground
- Participation in special groups including choir and Crown performance
- Special events including Harmony Week, NAIDOC Week, Book Week, sporting carnivals, R U OK?
- Peer Mediation Year 6 representatives

#### **Tiers of Intervention**

Positive Behaviour for Learning (PBL) involves three tiers of intervention (see fig. 1 below):

The tiers represent levels of intervention. They do not represent students.



- Tier 3Intensive practices and systems for students whose behaviours have been documented as not<br/>responsive at Tiers 1 and 2. Individualised to the specific needs and strengths of the student.
- Specialised practices and systems for students whose behaviours have been documented asTier 2 not responsive at Tier 1. Generally provided in a standardised manner in small student groupings.
- **Tier 1** Practices and systems for all students and staff implemented across all school settings.

#### **Parent Communication**

Parents will be informed when there has been a referral to the office, particularly if a consequence has been given. The Principal or Associate Principal will telephone a parent or write an email if not able to contact a parent by phone. The contact may be made after school if there has been insufficient time to do so in school hours. Parents should be aware that we will not discuss consequences given or action taken with another child that is not their own. This is to ensure the privacy of individual students is respected and information is not shared to third parties without another parent's permission. The school is consistent in applying the Kinross Behaviour Policy and decisions are made after an investigation has taken place and context is considered. Parents may not always be aware of all the factors present, so are requested to trust the school has acted accordingly in dealing with any breach of discipline.

#### **Whole School Positive Incentives for Student Behaviour Management**

The following are examples of activities and procedures used by the school to foster a positive whole school environment and an individual feeling of school pride. Promoting the positive aspect of student behaviour at every opportunity is paramount.

Merit Awards at assemblies

- Environmental Award
- Golden Key Awards monthly
- > Display of students' work at office and library or noted in Newsletter.
- > Peer selection of Year Six Student Councillors and student forum representatives.
- > Recognition of students' work and performance in the school newsletter.
- > Children encouraged to participate in community projects.
- > Students sent to Principal or Deputies with good examples of class work.
- > Participation in extra-curricular activities.
- Recognition of out of school achievements at Assemblies, e.g., Trophies, Selections for teams, Awards of Achievement, Scouts awards.
- > Use of green slip or school diary to notify parents of positive recognitions.
- > Raffle tickets and tokens to be given by duty teacher in playground.

#### **Overview of Consequences for Negative Behaviours in Classroom**

STAGE 1:	Teachers establish a positive, inclusive, classroom environment.		
POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT	Use of low key responses.		
STAGE 2:	Name recorded on blackboard.		
DISRUPTION	Use of choices and implied choices.		
(Name on board)			
STAGE 3:	Second disruption – one cross. Child placed in class time-out area.		
TIME-OUT IN CLASS	Use of choices and implied choices.		
(X One Cross)			
STAGE 4:	Third disruption – third disruption		
BUDDY CLASS	Child moved to buddy class.		
(XX Two crosses)			
STAGE 5:	Fourth disruption – three crosses.		
ADMIN TIME	Child sent to the office with Red Slip.		
(XXX Three crosses)			
**SEVERE CLAUSE**			
STAGE 6:	No contact with other students.		
IN-SCHOOL SUSPENSION	Parent notified and interview requested.		
STAGE 7:	Child suspended from school.		
SUSPENSION	Student completes formal written contract for return to class.		
STAGE 8:	Child remains under suspension until Exclusion Panel meets to discuss		
EXCLUSION	problem		

Teachers are encouraged to use restorative questioning when counselling students to encourage them to reflect on their behaviour. Inappropriate behaviour also requires feedback and should be viewed as a teaching opportunity – a chance to clarify and re-teach expectations. The same calm instructional approach used when students make academic errors should be used to correct behavioural errors.

#### **Restorative Questions I**

When things go wrong.
What happened?
What were you thinking of at the time?
What have you thought about since?
Who has been affected by what you have done? In what way?
What do you think you need to do to make things right?
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#### **Physical Aggression and Violence**

Physical aggression has no place in our school and serious sanctions will be automatically imposed where students choose to hurt others. Students who start fights or participate in fighting or hurting others will be automatically suspended from school for a period decided on by the Principal.

#### **Good Standing Policy**

All Year 5 and 6 students are to maintain Good Standing. Further details can be found in the Good Standing Policy.

#### **Playground Procedure**

#### Stage 1 POSITIVE ENVIRONMENT

Positive playground environment promoted using raffle tickets and faction tokens. These are in the duty teacher bags and used liberally to reinforce positive behaviour. School values promoted through signage around the school.

#### Stage 2 MINOR TRANSGRESSION

Teacher resolves conflict through discussion or separating children. E.g. running on hard surfaces, littering, one off name calling, boisterous behaviour, wrong play area etc. – sit for five minutes/walk with teacher for a few minutes (In this case the "sit out" is monitored by the duty teacher).

#### Stage 3 MAJOR TRANSGRESSION

Child to be sent to the office with Red Slip. E.g. Incidence of bullying, fighting, swearing, danger, orchestrated teasing are considered major transgressions. Consequence at the discretion of Admin.

The admin is responsible for ensuring reflection sheets are filed and further action taken if appropriate and recording details into Integris. Parents contacted.

#### Formal Detention can only be given by Admin Team.

# **Behaviour Reflection Sheet**

#### **STUDENT NAME:**

(Tick) **BUDDY CLASS** 

OFFICE

#### What did I do?

#### Which rule did I break?

Do your best
Respect yourself
Respect others and their property
Be an active citizen
Respect the environment

#### Who did I affect with my behaviour?

Peers	Me	Class	My Teacher	
Buddy Room Other Teachers		Principal	My Parents	
What can I do to change my behaviour?				

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## On the back please write a letter of apology.

Teacher Comment:
Parent Comment:
Signature:

# **Behaviour Reflection Sheet**

#### **STUDENT NAME:**

(Tick) BUDDY CLASS

## What did I do?

	I was talking too much
	I did not listen to instructions
	I did not use my manners
	I disrupted other students
	I did not keep my hands to myself
I will write	e a sentence about what I did:

#### Who is sad about your behaviour?

Peers	Me	Class	My Teacher
Buddy Room	Other Teachers	Principal	My Parents

What could you need to do change your behaviour?

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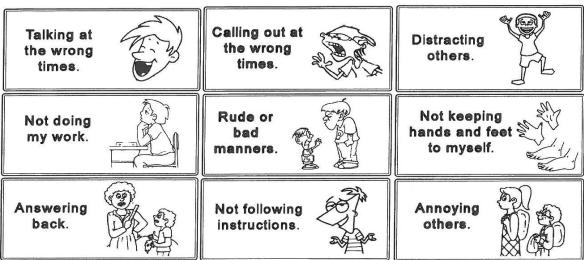
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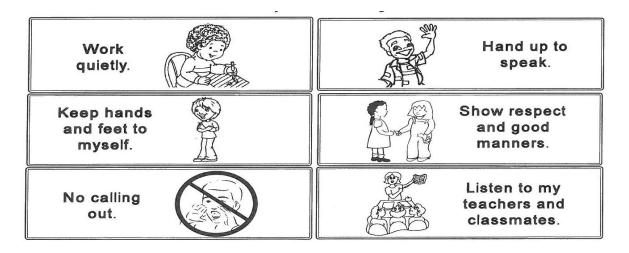
(Tick) BUDDY CLASS OFFICE



#### What did I do?



#### How can I improve?



## On the back please write a letter of apology.

# **Bullying Reflection Sheet**

#### **STUDENT NAME:**

Parent Comment:

Signature:

# What type of bullying was it?

Physical		Verbal		Indirect				
Where did this take	place?				_			
What did you do?								
Did your actions or v How do you think th					-			
Why are you doing t								
What can you do to	make thing	gs right?						
Admin Comment:								

# **Specialist Teacher Behaviour Referral**

The students below have been given the following formal warnings. Please enter their behaviour onto your Classroom Daily Behaviour Chart:

STUDENT NAME	WARNING	CLASS TIMEOUT	BUDDY ROOM		
	Name on board	X One Cross	XX Two Crosses	XXX Three crosses	
TEACHER:		SPECIALIST AREA			