

FORT Federation

GOVERNORS' STATEMENT OF BEHAVIOUR PRINCIPLES

Introduction

Under Section 88 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 the Governing Body of the FORT Federation is required to make and review a written Statement of Behaviour Principles. The Executive Headteacher and staff should use these principles in preparing the school's legally compulsory Behaviour Policy. This document is that written Statement and has been prepared with reference to the 'Behaviour and discipline in schools – Guidance for governing bodies' document issued by the Department for Education (July 2013 edition).

Principles

- Fort Federation is an inclusive Federation. All members of the School communities should feel free from discrimination of any sort. Measures to protect children are set out in the Behaviour, Anti-bullying and Equality policies.
- The School rules are clearly set out in the Behaviour Policy and displayed around School. Governors expect these rules to be consistently applied by all staff.
- Governors expect to see a wide range of rewards, consistently and fairly applied in such a way as to encourage and reward good behaviour around School.
- Sanctions for unacceptable/poor behaviour should be known and understood by all staff and pupils and consistently applied.
- It is recognised that the use of rewards and sanctions must have regard to the individual situation and the individual pupil, and staff are expected to use discretion in their use. Sanctions should however be applied fairly, consistently, proportionally and reasonably, taking into account SEND, and the needs of vulnerable children, and offering support as necessary.
- The Governors strongly feel, that exclusions, particularly those that are permanent, must only be used as the very last resort. The Exclusion Policy outlines the processes involved in Fixed Term Exclusions and Permanent Exclusions.
- The Governors expect pupils and parents to cooperate to maintain an orderly environment for learning.
- The Governors wish to emphasise that violence, threatening behaviour or abuse by pupils or parents towards the School's staff will not be tolerated.
- Guidance on the use of reasonable force is included within the Behaviour Policy.