



St Mary's and St Vincent's Catholic Primary Schools



Behaviour Principles Statement

Mission Statement:

"Growing in faith: loving and learning together with Jesus."

At St Mary's and St Vincent's, our behaviour principles are rooted in our Catholic mission and Gospel values. We believe that every child is precious, unique and made in the image of God. Our aim is to create a calm, safe and nurturing environment where all can flourish spiritually, socially and academically.

Core Principles

- **Gospel Values and Virtues** are at the heart of all we do. We strive to be *Loving, Forgiving, Respectful, Honest, Hopeful* and to demonstrate a *Love of Learning*.
- **Belonging matters.** Every member of our community should feel known, valued and loved.
- **All behaviour is communication.** We seek to understand and support, not simply to react.
- **Positive adult behaviour shapes pupil behaviour.** Calm, consistent adults model the virtues we want children to live.
- **Restoration is more powerful than punishment.** We use restorative approaches to repair harm and strengthen relationships.

Rights and Responsibilities

All members of our school community have the **right to feel safe, to be treated with respect and to learn.** With these rights come responsibilities:

- To behave respectfully towards others.
- To act in ways that keep ourselves and others safe.
- To take responsibility for our actions and learn from mistakes.

Our Expectations

Pupils are taught to:

- **Be Respectful** – through kind words, attentive listening, and care for others and the environment.
- **Be Responsible** – by being ready to learn, following routines, and taking ownership of their actions.
- **Be Safe** – by behaving in ways that protect themselves and others in all settings.

Staff set high expectations and build positive, trusting relationships with pupils. Families are partners in supporting these principles.

Scope

This statement applies to behaviour **in school, beyond the school gate** and **online** where behaviour affects members of the school community or its reputation.

The Local Academy Committee has produced this Behaviour Principles Statement in accordance with statutory requirements. The Headteacher and staff will use these principles to develop and implement the school's Behaviour Policy and procedures.