### **BEHAVIOUR POLICY 2021**



#### PRAISE PRAISE PRAISE

St Thomas pupils make good choices every day and show good levels of self-regulation. They are polite, hardworking and want to impress.

This needs celebrating.

Every classroom will have a recognition board. The contents of which can be managed by individual teachers and be appropriate for age and stage but may include:

Ready Respectful

Safe

- Star of the week
- Table of the week
- Highest Dojo scorer
- I am texting' poster
- Spotted getting it right post its
- Staff Shout Outs
- Homework Heroes
- Achievements celebrations (certificates etc from home)

### Steps for managing inappropriate or challenging behaviour

Definition: Behaviour which shows pupil(s) is not Ready, Safe, Respectful

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For low level incidents pupils can be guided in their choices and directed to a different area of the yard or choice of activity
Pupils demonstrating unkind or inconsiderate behaviour will receive 'time out' during playtime. A rolling record of incident will be maintained to monitor. If further
misdemeanours or a pattern of negative behaviour presents, then a range of intervention can follow. This may include sanction s, nurture and parental notification and
involvement.
As a follow up to a significant number of low level incidents or single more serious incident pupils may be guided to a specific activity with a specific group of children and
single adult. An additional adult on duty may be required for this.
It may be appropriate for a child to miss a playtime. Careful consideration should be given to supervision and alternative activity. Support staff who supervise pupils during
playtimes should be given an alternative time for a break.
EXTREME BEHAVIOURS
Violence and Aggression
The pupil needs guiding to a calm space ideally and RSG room but this may need to be in stages.
An additional adult may be required to support
Any injury needs first aid
Avoid jumping to conclusions - nurture first - discussion/consequences will follow when calm and appropriate.

The behaviour management system has 4 stages, first chance, last chance, short time out and supported withdrawal. The first two relate to managing children within class. These stages will not always be linea and can adapted and adjusted to suit the needs of individual students

## Within Class – Teacher discretion

Staff will initially manage disruptive behaviour within the classroom. The expectations will be explicit and any actions will be in direct relation to these. Discretion is given to allow reasonable adjustments for both the individual and the circumstances.

# FIRST AND LAST CHANCES SHOULD BE CALM AND DISCRETE

'FIRST CHANCE'	Addressing negative behaviour without interrupting the flow of the lesson.		
Intervening without			
compromising the			
learning.			
'LAST CHANCE'	Possible outcomes:		
Staff have the right to	Negative dojo points		
issue an appropriate	<ul> <li>Loss of free time with the point made that this is to catch up on work missed in the lesson due to inappropriate behaviour.</li> </ul>		
consequence for	<ul> <li>Keeping back briefly at the end of the lesson (be aware that at the end of the day some children have buses to catch!)</li> <li>Isolating the pupils physically within in the classroom from potential sources of disruption or disturbance to enable others to succeed in working</li> </ul>		
persistently poor	Pupil time on the thinking chair		
behaviour.	<ul> <li>Ignoring the behaviour at the time but then having a quiet word later when the class are working so that the pupil concerned knows that the behaviour was noted by the member of staff</li> </ul>		
	• Teachers will log persistent low level behaviour and possibly make a telephone call home to parents or carers. Expectations in behaviour should be shared with parents and carers		

### When behaviour is persistently poor, beyond the first and last chance

Time Out – When behaviour has progressed beyond the first and last chance OR as a preventative measure when signs if dysregulation are spotted				
To ensure that poor behaviour is not accepted and for the benefit of the wider school community, the steps below ensure that learning can				
progress safely.				
TIME	THE NATURE OF THE TIME OUT MAY VARY DEPENDIN G ON THE INDIVIDUAL AND THE CIRCUMSTANCES			
OUT	An errand or message			
	<ul> <li>An accompanied walk around school</li> <li>A short task completed on the corrider (only if the numil is colm)</li> </ul>			
	<ul> <li>A short task completed on the corridor (only if the pupil is calm)</li> <li>Time in a cluster class</li> </ul>			
	<ol> <li>A cluster teacher should only accept one person at a time but should only refuse a pupil if there is a very good reason</li> </ol>			
	2) A cluster teacher should not have to do anything other than supervise			
	3) Time in another class must never exceed 10 minutes and the responsibility for sending, providing work and collecting lies with the child's class teacher.			
	When the child returns to the classroom the adults involved will emphasise that this is their opportunity to behave appropriately for the rest of the day.			
	Time outs should be logged			
Withdrawal-V	Withdrawal – When a pupil has not responded to previous reminders or a negative incident has occurred			
READY	Our RSG rooms are set up to provide:			

SET GO	<ul> <li>A calm and quiet nurture space for pupils who are struggling to self regulate</li> <li>A working space for pupils who need a sustained period of time out of class supported by school adults</li> </ul>
00	A safe space for reflection and restorative activities
	Time in RSG should not be used as a threat or challenge and should be promoted as a safe and supported space.
	TIME IN OUR RSG ROOM WILL BE FLEXIBLE AND DEPENDENT ON AGE AND CIRCUMSTANCES
	Step one: nurture
	Step two: discussion
	Step three: consequences
	Nurture: <b>Time</b> to read, play a game, bounce a ball – give a limited choice and work with the pupil to reach a state of calm
	Discussion: Age appropriate, use the 'What Happened' laminated booklets to structure
	Consequences: Natural appropriate to age and circum stances - ideally agreed with consensus from pupil
	ALL RSG visits should be recorded on CPOMS with class teacher and year group learning mentor alerted. For extreme behaviour please also alert SLT
	Matters of a more <b>extreme nature:</b> Will result in an extended time in RSG but the above process should still be worked through.
	WHO SUPPERVISORS PUPILS IN THE RSG
	An adult from the year group team who was NOT involved in the initial incident.
	If all adults were involved reach out to cohort team - this may involve and adult swap
	SLT should be informed and consulted for longer sustained use of RSG following <b>extreme</b> incident
STAFF	Staff will always take the following into consideration when issuing consequences:
CONDUCT	• Avoid reacting emotionally. It is the pupil's behaviour that is the problem not the pupil. Staff should avoid taking misbehaviour personally. A quiet calm approa ch is
••••••	generally much more effective than shouting. If a pupil is angry or upset give them time to calm down before moving towards discussion.
	• Vary teaching styles and continue to refine professional practice to keep the pupils on their toes and sustain their interest.
	• Be consistent in praise, punishment and classroom procedure. Praise should always be specific with a reason given so that it is perceived as genuine by the pupils.
	<ul> <li>State the behaviour wanted rather than the wrong behaviour.</li> <li>If a pupil runs out of school, do not compromise the safety of others by chasing. Inform the Headteacher/Office immediately.</li> </ul>
	Never punish the whole class for the misdemeanours of the few.
FOLLOW UP	On Going behaviour concerns. Indicators of unmet SEMH needs which need exploring:
	Increased/significant number of extreme behaviour incidents
	Increased/significant number of occasions where pupil is struggling to self-regulate
	Increased/significant number of low level disruption resulting in time out Learning mentors to meet fortnightly to review CPOMS behaviour incident to support teachers in identifying concerns
	Teacher to meet with parents to discuss concerns/explore reasons for behaviours
	Support to self-regulate plan to be written and agreed with parents
	To be reviewed fortnightly

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#### PUPIL EXCLUSIONS – see exclusion documents

The Head Teacher has the right to exclude a pupil when their behaviour becomes unmanageable within the school behaviour policy. An exclusion could be 'fixed term', less than 5 days, or permanent. We are obliged to offer 5 hours of education to excluded children. Formally excluded pupils will receive the appropriate work for their curricular needs to complete at home.



**ClassDojo** is a digital classroom management tool designed to help our teachers promote positive behaviour. Each student gets an avatar, which the child can personalize, and teachers create goals or behaviors to track, such as completing homework, participating in class, staying on task or demonstrating effort. In our reception and year one classes we use class dojo to acknowledge when a child has completed one of their independent challenge activities, ensuring that our children engage in their own learning when not directly supported by a teacher. Teachers use their ipads or computer in class to give points. Each student's points can be displayed via a smart board and shared with the children or families. Every point earned contributes to the children's house point scores, promoting great teamwork and collaboration across the whole school. We can show you your child's dojo on parent's evening, celebrating their attitude and efforts. Most importantly, the children really like it because it's fun.



Class Dojo promotes good behavior in and out of the classroom along with the additional approaches below.

- Praise from the teacher, staff and class.
- Positive reinforcement
- Name in the school's Special Book
- Awards, stickers and certificates.
- Letters or phone calls to parents or staff talking to parents before or after school.
- Texts home
- Merits
- Table points
- Personalised charts
- Class/school responsibilities
- Representing school teams

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All of our children from year 1 to 6 have a 'Freedom Pass'. This is in recognition of honesty and trust. This helps our children to understand the value of being a good person all of the time, making the right choices in and out of school. With a Freedom Pass our children have additional opportunities within the school day to be more independent and to access additional opportunities. For example, a pupil with a pass may be able to have lunch outside or to access the computer suite without close supervision. They may also represent the school in sporting events or be involved in extra-curricular activities.

The best use within a class room comes from the passes underpinning a good relationship between teacher and pupil. Like any relationship, when the terms are breached due to a series of issues, and you feel that you

cannot trust a child, the card can be removed for a *short* period with a very interpersonal 1:1 conversation. The badge is not a system to manage behaviour, but rather a statement to develop understanding of personal choices and relations. It will also fail as a 'carrot' as this method only lasts for so long before children can become disaffected, potentially settling for the fact that they are deemed untrustworthy. All children should have the chance to be trusted and trust should be maintained in the long term. You may want to revisit your class list of all of the times in the day, in and out of school, where trust is evident.