



Marshland Behaviour Policy Addendum - COVID-19

This policy addendum outlines temporary changes to school operations to reflect changing Government guidance. Its primary aim is to: keep children safe and in full-time, school-based education; minimise risk of cross-contamination; and create a calm environment.

All students should continue to adhere to the principles outlined in Marshland's Behaviour Policy. In particular, students should be mindful of the following:

1. To be careful and considerate, respectful and kind to all, and co-operate with school staff, whether in person or online.
2. To be polite and friendly to peers and adults alike by following the school rules, saying please and thank you.
3. To act safely, responsibly and courteously at all times, to all members of the school. In addition, to respect the day-to-day expectations of the year 'bubbles' and wider school.
4. Students will adhere to the revised rules and expectations for entering and exiting the school site, only by the main gate for those on buses and the pedestrian gate for those walking, cycling, or being collected or dropped off.
5. Students should arrive on site between 8:30am and 8:45am and head straight to their tutor base.
6. Face coverings are now compulsory for staff and students inside the school corridors while transiting through the site.
7. Students must follow the one-way system that is clearly marked around school.
8. Students should stay in their own zones at break times unless directed otherwise or visiting the canteen, toilets or packed lunch area. You will go directly to your zone at break and lunch before visiting the food or toilet areas, when instructed. Queuing for lunch will be in one line determined by barriers and floor markings. Queuing should always be done in a sensible manner, with reasonable distancing.
9. Students will only interact with others in their own bubble throughout the day.
10. There is to be no talking when walking around the building, to and from lessons, or to and from lunch and break zones. This will allow staff to clearly issue instructions if needed and reduces the risk of contamination in busy areas. Children can socialise as normal whilst inside the lunch and break zones.
11. Students must stay at their own desks unless directed otherwise. Whilst social distancing is not a requirement in school, students should comply with rules regarding no physical contact of others, in and out of the classroom. Students must not walk or leave their seats unless instructed to do so by an adult.
12. Students will follow hygiene rules, including washing hands when asked throughout the day, before and after eating. Students are expected to apply hand sanitiser on entry and exit to site and all classrooms.
13. Students will inform an adult if they feel they have any COVID-19 symptoms. With winter cold and flu bugs also circulating, students should use tissues when sneezing or coughing and



dispose of these in bins. Students should only go to the toilet when necessary, and only during break times and thoroughly wash their hands after use (for at least 20 seconds).

14. Students will only use their own equipment, referred to as “Ready to learn”, not interfering or sharing any other resources or equipment.
15. Students will only use their own water bottles, eating/drinking their own food and only consume food in designated areas including the canteen, packed lunch area and year group zones. No sharing of food or drink is allowed.
16. No chewing gum is allowed on site. There is a very high risk of contamination when chewing gum is dropped or placed on school items. It is prohibited from site at all times.

Sanctions

In the unfortunate event of not following these rules, pupils will be given clear, explicit warnings and reminders of appropriate choices and issued with a C1 sanction. If, following this a student does not modify their behaviour, a Pastoral Manager or School Leader will deal with the issue and may include the student being placed in The Bridge for the remainder of the lesson and receiving a 1 hour afterschool detention.

For talking in a corridor, persistent physical contact, or if a child brings chewing gum into school an immediate Covid breach will be issued, followed by a 1 hour afterschool detention.

In the event that there are incidents which pose a risk to pupils and staff, parents will be contacted, and children will need to be collected from school to ensure the safety of themselves and others. If any adverse behaviours take place that could affect the health or safety of others, then an individual risk assessment may be completed to review the safety of that child on the school site during pandemic restrictions. For example, spitting, physical attacks, refusal to comply with social distancing requirements that could heighten the risk of harm to others.

For a student who persistently refuses to follow behaviour expectations, a fixed term exclusion will be considered. For serious and persistent refusal, a permanent exclusion will be considered.

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