ST GEORGE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
GOVERNORS' STATEMENT OF BEHAVIOUR PRINCIPLES 2026-27

Rationale and Purpose
This Statement has been drawn up in accordance with the Education and Inspections Act 2006, and DfE guidance (The school behaviour policy: the role of the governing body).

The purpose of this statement is to provide guidance for the Head Teacher in drawing up the Behaviour and Discipline Policy at St George's Catholic Primary School so that it reflects the shared aspirations and beliefs of governors, staff and parents for the children in the school, as well as taking full account of law and guidance on behaviour matters. It is intended to help all school staff to be aware of and understand the extent of their powers in respect of discipline and sanctions and how to use them. Staff should be confident that they have the Governor's support when following this guidance.

This is a statement of principles, not practice: it is the responsibility of the Head Teacher to draw up the Positive Behaviour Policy at St George's Catholic Primary School, though they must take account of these principles when formulating this. The Head Teacher is also asked to take account of the guidance in DfE publication Behaviour and Discipline in Schools: a guide for Head Teachers and school staff (January 2016). The Positive Behaviour Policy must be publicised, in writing, to staff, parents/carers and children each year. It must also appear on the school's website.

Principles
- Every child has the right to learn but no child has the right to disrupt the learning of others
- Everyone has a right to be listened to, to be valued, to feel and be safe.
- Everyone must be protected from disruption or abuse
- St George's Catholic Primary school is an inclusive school; all members of the school community should be free from discrimination, harassment, victimisation and any other conduct that is prohibited by or under the Equality Act 2010
- It is expected that all adults – staff, volunteers, governors an parents – will set excellent examples to the children at all times
- We seek to give every child a sense of personal responsibility for his/her own actions
- The school's Behaviour and Discipline Policy will ensure that there are measures to encourage good behaviour, self-discipline and respect, and prevent all forms of bullying amongst pupils.
- Where there are significant concerns over a pupil's behaviour, the school will work with parents to strive for common strategies between home and school.
- The school will seek advice and support from appropriate outside agencies where concerns arise over a child's behaviour.
- The school's Positive Behaviour Policy will clearly reflect the school's approach to exclusions.
- The school will fulfil its' legal duties under the Equality Act 2010 in respect of safeguarding, children with special educational needs and all vulnerable children
- The school will fulfil the agreements set out in the Local Offer Statement, promoting inclusion.
- The school will keep abreast of current issues and initiatives with regard to Health and Safety at Work Act 1974 and related regulations