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Behaviour principles written statement

This document is not policy or practice, rather it is a statement to set out South West Essex Community Education Trust's broad principles with regard to behaviour that is promoted within all our schools.

Actual, practical applications of these principles are the responsibility of the individual school headteachers, who will ensure relevant local policies reflect these principles.

The Trustees are aware and approve of this statement, believing it accurately reflects the Trust ethos and that effective learning and development relies on good standards of behaviour.

Principles

- The Trust's primary concern is the safety, wellbeing and education of all pupils; actions taken in cases of bad behaviour are with the intention of upholding pupil wellbeing and academic progress, as well as fulfilling our safeguarding responsibilities.
- All members of the Trust community must be treated inclusively and be free from any form of discrimination or prejudice.
- Schools will ensure an atmosphere and ethos of tolerance, equality, diversity, respect, and understanding throughout the school community in everyday practice.
- All children, staff and visitors should feel safe in the school environments at all times through a high quality of care, support and guidance.
- All pupils have a right to fulfil their greatest academic and personal potential and feel they are valued members of the school by both their peers and school staff.
- Rules are to be consistently and where sanctions and punishments are exercised, they should be proportionate and in line with each school's Behaviour Policy.
- Behaviour of any kind, including online that may inhibit the learning of others or cause anyone to feel unsafe will not be tolerated.
- If a parent/carer does not conduct himself/herself properly, the school reserves the right to ban them from the school premises and, if the parent/carer continues to cause disturbance, he or she may be liable to prosecution.
- Guidance on the use of reasonable force will be set out within school's Behaviour Policy.

This statement, and the policies that reflect it, apply to all pupils and staff at all times as ambassadors of the South West Essex Community Education Trust.