

Thornden School Behaviour Policy: coronavirus addendum

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1. Scope

This addendum applies until further notice.

It sets out changes and exceptions to our normal behaviour policy. Students, parents/carers and staff should continue to follow our normal behaviour policy with respect to anything not covered in this addendum.

We may need to amend or add to this addendum as circumstances or official guidance changes. We will communicate any changes to staff, parents/carers and students.

2. Expectations for students in school

2.1 New rules

When students are in school, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below to keep themselves and the rest of the school community safe.

Staff will be familiar with these rules and make sure they are followed consistently.

Parents/carers should also read the rules and ensure that their children follow the new procedures that have been put in place. Parents/carers should contact their respective Head of Year if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them and support them to integrate back into school life.

Key adjustments are below:

- › Hygiene, such as handwashing and sanitising
- › Who and where students can socialise with at school, including at lunch and break times
- › Moving around the school (e.g. one-way systems, out of bounds areas)
- › Sneezing, coughing, tissues and disposal ('catch it, bin it, kill it') and avoiding touching their mouth, nose and eyes with hands
- › Telling an adult if they are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus
- › Use of toilets
- › Not to cough or spit at or towards any other person
- › Dropping of litter
- › Chewing gum

2.2 Rewards and sanctions for following rules

We will continue to focus on a positive approach to school and encourage all students to take responsibility for their behaviour. However, if students fail to follow these rules, we will:

Continue with our centralised detention system, but include for deliberately dropping litter and chewing gum.

2.3 Changed rules

Until further notice, we will alter the following school rules:

- Expectations for attendance – the [latest government guidance](#) says attendance will be mandatory from September.
- From September 2021, all students must wear uniform to school and follow normal school rules on uniform as set out in our behaviour policy.

3. Expectations for students at home

3.1 Remote learning rules

If students are not in school, we expect them to follow all of the rules set out below.

Parent/carers should also read the rules and ensure their children follow them. Parents should contact the respective Head of Year if they think their child might not be able to comply with some or all of the rules, so we can consider alternative arrangements with them and support them with their learning.

Students should:

- Be contactable during required times – although we will take into account that students may not always be in front of a device the entire time
- Complete work to the deadline set by teachers
- Seek help if they need it, from teachers or teaching assistants
- Alert teachers if they're not able to complete work
- Use proper online conduct, such as using appropriate language in messages

3.2 Dealing with problems

If there are any problems with students adhering to rules around remote learning, including if they don't engage with the remote learning set for them, we will:

- Liaise directly with parents/carers
- Invite students into school, depending on Government guidance

4. Monitoring arrangements

We will review this policy as guidance from the local authority or Department for Education is updated, and as a minimum every 6 months by S Hicks, Head of School. At every review, it will be approved by the Academy Committee.

5. Links with other policies

This policy links to the following policies and procedures:

- Child protection policy
- Behaviour policy

- Health and safety policy
- Attendance Policy
- Uniform Policy
- Student Code of Conduct
- ICT Acceptable Use Policy