

## **BFL Annex during Covid**

**September 2020**

### **Introduction**

Subsequent to the COVID pandemic, national lock down, and following government guidance, we are opening schools to all students in September. We have been given clear guidance on processes and procedures that need to be followed in schools in order to keep staff, students, their families and the community safe. The guidance will mean changes to the expectations of students and new routines and rules which need to be followed. It is important these are made clear, and our BFL policy is adapted in line with those expectations. **This appendix will be reviewed every half term.**

The school will operate under its normal Behaviour for Learning (BFL) policy, with some adaptations and certain expectations outlined below. **'Any student who commits a serious or persistent breach of the new COVID-19 protection rules may be sanctioned by the head using the full range of sanctions available, dependent on the seriousness of the breach, up to and including, in extreme cases, permanent exclusion.'**

These adaptations are in place to ensure the safety of students, staff and the community and students have time to adjust to being back in school. As ever our BFL policy is designed to ensure that 'teachers can teach and students can focus on learning' without disruptions. This is even more important given the time students have had out of school. We also recognise that some of our students will need extra pastoral support, this will be in place. As ever positive praise and recognition will continue to be at the heart of everyday practice.

### **Consequence system**

The consequence system will continue to be used in all lessons with slight adjustments, this is to allow some bedding in when students return to school.

- If a student receives a red card in a lesson they will join the Inclusion room for the rest of that lesson rather than for a half day. However if this happens repeatedly then this will be reviewed.
- The inclusion room will be set up in the Gym/Hall and students will work on exam desks in silence supported by a member of staff. This will ensure that social distancing is maintained between students in different year groups.
- Detentions will take place as normal but students will be kept with their year groups.

### **Hygiene/Face coverings**

Students will be asked to wash their hands and use sanitiser at regular intervals throughout the day. This is essential in preventing the potential spread of the virus. As we are not situated in an enhanced lockdown area, there is no requirement for students to wear a face covering in school. However, students will be asked to wear face coverings when using public transport. Refusal to comply when asked could result in sanctions for students depending on the individual situation.



There will be adjustments on face coverings for students with medical conditions which prevent them wearing one.

### **Social Distancing/ no physical contact**

The guidance is based on keeping students in their year bubbles and smaller groups where possible. Students do need to keep socially distant 1m plus from members of staff and students from other year groups. In order to mitigate further, whilst we won't be enforcing social distancing in year groups we are asking students to refrain from physical contact.

Where these rules are broken detentions will be issued.

### **Students with SEND and/or an EHCP**

All students who fall into these categories and who are attending provision will have an updated risk assessment carried out to ensure that all measures are being followed to keep everyone safe while supporting these students to learn. As always reasonable adjustments will be made for these students.