



Child-friendly Behaviour Policy



Our school



Our school is a **happy** and **friendly** place where children learn to love and love to learn. As a community, we are all part of our More park family and every single one of us is valuable. It is essential at More Park that we treat everyone equally and with **love** and **respect**, just like Jesus teaches us. We are all unique and everyone is **welcome** here. The adults here truly care about you, our pupils, and want to ensure you feel **safe**, **listened to** and **understood** so you can **learn**, **develop** and **grow** into **thoughtful**, **considerate** and **caring** young people. Your contribution makes More Park the wonderful place that it is, a school where, **with God's love, we can be our best.**

How we should behave

We should all behave in a respectful and appropriate way and aim to always be **kind**, **caring** and **considerate**. We must always do our schoolwork to the best of our ability. Everyone has a part to play to work together to ensure that at More Park, we all feel **safe**, **happy**, **supported** and ready to **learn** and **grow**. We must:



- **Keep ourselves safe**
- **Keep other people safe**
- **Keep property safe**

What happens if we behave appropriately?

Most importantly, if we behave appropriately, we feel **calm**, **content** and **peaceful** inside. Doing the right thing makes us feel good and we should do it, simply because it is the right thing to do! This is called **intrinsic motivation**. We are then more likely to repeat this behaviour and so are other people. This is like a domino effect or butterfly effect and smiling is contagious too! Learning about Jesus and the **Gospel values** plays a vital part in promoting our **spiritual** and **moral** development to help us to **grow our hearts** and **make the right choices**. The adults will encourage this by being positive role-models and through giving specific praise for your effort, both for your schoolwork and for your attitude and character. We may also reward you with:

- ☆ Verbal praise
- ☆ House points
- ☆ Stickers
- ☆ Certificates
- ☆ Class rewards



What happens if we don't behave appropriately? For example: Talking when the teacher is talking, not following instructions, not doing what a teacher asks, destroying property, swearing, stealing, hurting others, fighting, bullying.

We understand that it is not always easy to do the right thing and that we all make mistakes sometimes- this is part of our learning journey. We all have different factors and life experiences that contribute to how we behave. **Behaviour is a form of communication** that reflects thoughts and feelings. **Mistakes happen**- what is important is taking steps to **put them right** and doing your best to **learn from them** so the behaviour is not repeated. It is important for us to help you understand that whilst **all feelings are okay**, some behaviours are not okay.

Using **restorative practice**, we will ask you what has happened, **listen** to you and try to **support** you. We will also help you to **reflect** on how you can behave differently in the future and will agree with you the best ways to put things right. These are called **restorative**, or **natural consequences**. This might be fixing what you have broken, finding a sincere way to say sorry and using strategies to help you express your feelings appropriately.

If you have acted in a way that is not safe, or if you keep repeating inappropriate behaviour then you will need to spend some **"time in"** during play times. This is **reflection** time to think about putting things right. We may also agree that you need some **"welfare time"**, which means time away from your class to do your learning safely.

We may need to speak to other people to help you, such as your parents, the school nurse or other trusted adults. If you continue to struggle, these adults will meet to decide the next best steps for you, always with your best interests at heart.

