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Catholic High School

**This appendix to the behaviour policy following Covid-19  
Schools Closures and Restart September 2020**

## **1. Introduction**

1.1 Following schools being closed to the majority of Students, the Department for Education have announced a phased-re-opening of Secondary Schools starting with the introduction of face-to-face sessions delivered to Year 10 Students with guidance on re-opening for other year groups to follow.

1.2 This appendix to the Behaviour Policy details adaptations made during the time delivering face-to-face sessions, rather than providing the typical school day experienced up to April 2020.

1.3 To make it easy to read, this appendix talks about *teachers*. However, when we use the word *teachers* we also mean *other staff with responsibility for Students*.

1.4 This policy appendix is guided by the Department for Education Guidance released throughout May 2020 regarding the re-opening of schools and other education establishments.

1.5 This policy appendix is specifically intended to:

- ensure the safety of every member of staff and Student during this time
- encourage young people to take responsibility for their behaviour during this time
- tackle incidents/instances of poor behaviour effectively and fairly during this time
- allow teachers to feel safe and supported during this time
- foster an environment where all members of the school community respect and adhere to the social distancing guidance during this time

## **2. What we expect Students to do during this time**

2.1 Students must only use the entrance they have been assigned to enter the school building.

2.2 Students must sanitise their hands on entering the school building.

2.3 Students must walk directly to the classroom they have been assigned. Students are not permitted to move around the building freely or open any closed door.

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2.5 Students must walk directly to their assigned desk. Students must only sit at their assigned desk. Students must not touch any desk assigned to another Student or any equipment on a desk assigned to another Student.

2.6 Students must meet our expected behaviour in class

2.7 Students must not attempt to make physical contact with any person.

2.8 Students must not attempt to deliberately move within 2 metres of any person. This may be updated depending on the advice from the DfE

2.9 Students must not deliberately and unnecessarily perform actions associated with symptoms of Covid-19, for example but not limited to, coughing and/or sneezing.

2.10 Students must follow the government guidance when needing to cough or sneeze by covering their mouth and nose with a tissue or coughing or sneezing into their arm.

2.11 Students must follow the one-way system that will be in place for September 2020

### **3. What we expect our teachers to do during this time**

3.1 We expect all our teachers to address any behaviour that is unacceptable and anyone who breaks our school rules or does not follow a reasonable instruction.

3.2 Teachers will address poor behaviour by speaking to the Student and giving them an instruction to stop the witnessed behaviour before informing a member of the Senior Leadership Team of the poor behaviour witnessed.

3.3 Where the behaviour of a Student makes us worried that they are suffering, or are likely to suffer, significant harm, we expect our staff to follow our safeguarding policy.

### **4. The actions we may take when a Student misbehaves during this time**

4.1 Any Student that cannot cooperate with our expectations will follow sanctions in line with our Behaviour Policy

4.2 The following are some examples of what we consider unacceptable behaviour specific to the context of the phased return delivery of face-to-face sessions, though the list is not exhaustive:

- refusing to sanitise hands
- wearing a face covering that covers more than just the nose and mouth
- not moving directly to the allocated classroom
- deliberately making contact, or attempting to make contact, with another person
- deliberately moving within 2 metres, or attempting to move within 2 metres, of another person (the distance will depend on current guidance from the Dfe but will be clearly identified for all students)
- deliberately and unnecessarily performing actions associated with symptoms of Covid-19, for example but not limited to, coughing and/or sneezing
- not attempting to cover the nose and mouth with a tissue or arm when coughing and/or sneezing

### **5. Behaviour outside the school during this time**

5.1 Students must not congregate in groups with others beyond their household before or after school.

5.2 Students must leave the school site when directed and once through the gate make their way directly to their home.