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Behaviour - A quick guide for parents and Carers.

Please note: This is not our behaviour policy. Our behaviour policy is included on the Statutory Information page.

Good to be Green

Good to be Green is the name we give to our behaviour policy. We use a traffic light system which identifies green (good) behaviours and red (not good) behaviours.

The language of green and red behaviour is used throughout the academy and so children understand what green behaviours are and red behaviours are.

All behaviours, green and red, are linked to consequences. We say that behaviours are a choice, and there are consequences for behaviours, just like in the adult world.

Inside each classroom there is a picture of traffic lights, and every child's name on a small, laminated piece of card.

Every day, every child starts with their name on green.

Green behaviour

Green behaviour are the behaviours we encourage at the academy. Green behaviours include such things as being polite, being kind, being a friend, being mature and sensible. Also, green behaviour can be learning behaviours too, like working hard, concentrating, being resilient, reflective and so on. Green behaviours are rewarded with praise, stickers, a good work note home, a text home, a merit, chatting with parents at the end of the day.

Importantly, pupils earn **pupil reward points**. More about this later.

Red behaviour

Just like green behaviour, there are consequences for red behaviour too. If a child is choosing red behaviour, then an adult will tell the child "This is red behaviour. To be green you need to...." This gives the pupil the chance to make the green choice of behaviour. Their name will be put on amber traffic light.

Most of the time, the child then chooses green. The adult will then say, "Well, done, that's much better" and will move the child back to the green traffic light.

If a child continues to choose red behaviour, then there are a range of consequences which would be appropriate to the age of the child and the type of red behaviour. These consequences would include staying at playtime to complete missed work. For repeated red behaviour choices children may have a lunchtime detention.

Whenever and wherever we can, pupils are put back on green.

Of course, depending on the nature of the red behaviour, the Head of Academy may need to intervene. All consequences are detailed on our full behaviour policy.

Back to green! What is pupil reward points?

Throughout the week, pupils can earn points for all sorts of green behaviours. Points awarded and the types of green behaviour awarded points for are at the discretion of the adults working with children. Pupils also earn points for attendance and bonus points for a full week's attendance.

So, children earn points and these can then be spent at the points shop. The points shop is open once a week for each year group. Pupils can either save up their points or spend them on lower value items. It's up to them! The academy also 'employs' responsible Year 6s, and they are paid in points too. We have shop keepers, play leaders and assembly monitors so far, but our workforce is expanding all the time!