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Home School Agreement & Code of Conduct

(Addendum - Covid-19)

January 2022

Home-School Agreement

Covid-19 Amendments 2021-22

This addition to our Home-School Agreement details adaptations that are necessary for the safe attendance of our pupils and students during the academic year 2021-22.

Pupils and students who attend University of Birmingham School will be expected to abide by all rules listed here, as well as our full behaviour policy and protocols.

- Pupils and students must follow all School routines for their year group, including using correct entrance and exit points, staircases, and break/lunch locations.
- Pupils and students must ensure they practise good hand hygiene, sanitising their hands at regular opportunities throughout the day.
- Pupils and students should not enter other year group corridors unless directed by a teacher, or for a timetabled lesson.
- Pupils and students must avoid unnecessary contact with all other peers during the School day.
- Pupils and students must only use the toilets and water bottle-filling location designated for their year group.
- Pupils and students must not deliberately and unnecessarily perform actions associated with symptoms of Covid-19, for example but not limited to, coughing and/or sneezing.
- Pupils and 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.
- Due to the movement of some teachers, as well as pupils and students, between classrooms, there will be short periods of time where pupils and students may be unaccompanied in a classroom. Pupils and students must continue to meet the expectations that have been detailed and explained to them during these times.
- Pupils and students must follow all directions of staff regarding movement around the School and areas that will be out-of-bounds for other year groups.
- Pupils and students must meet all our expectations.

The actions we may take if a pupil misbehaves during this time

Any pupil who cannot cooperate with our expectations will, in line with our School Behaviour Policy and protocols, receive a red stamp and spend time out of their lesson, working with their Pastoral Manager. They will also need to attend their detention, at the end of the same day, held within their year group corridor. Parents and carers will be alerted to this through our Class Charts stamp system.

Any pupil or student demonstrating behaviour that they are not willing to cooperate with us in maintaining a safe environment will be deemed to have committed a breach of the School's behaviour policy and therefore an additional sanction, detailed in the School's behaviour policy may be considered.

The following are examples that the School considers to be unacceptable behaviour (additional to those listed in the School Behaviour Policy) specific to the current context of the pandemic, though the list is not exhaustive:

- refusing to sanitise hands;
- not following School guidelines on face coverings;
- deliberately ignoring staff instructions around safety and hygiene;
- deliberately ignoring School rules around break times and lunch times;
- 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.

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Code of Conduct: Additions that relate to the Covid-19 Pandemic

- The global pandemic has impacted on everyone.
- The global pandemic is serious and we must all play our part to take actions for the safety and health of our School community.
- Our expectations of you remain as high as ever.
- But there are now extra rules and guidelines you must always abide by for the health and safety of everyone in our School community, and their families.
- We expect every one of you to follow our rules showing kindness, consideration, empathy, and resilience.

Our rules: remain the same for behaviour, learning, uniform, attendance, and punctuality

In addition, all pupils and students must:

- Tell an adult if you are experiencing symptoms of coronavirus.
- Arrive on time and use the right entrances, exits, routes and stairs for your year group.
- Undertake appropriate hand hygiene routines throughout the day, including sanitising your hands.
- Follow government guidelines on the safe and responsible wearing of masks within the School premises – and where appropriate on public transport.
- If you cough or sneeze, 'catch it, bin it, kill it' to keep others safe.
- Ensure that you never cough or spit at or towards another person.
- Use the designated facilities for your year group, including the relevant toilets and water fountain.
- If you are learning from home, use IT safely and responsibly, in line with our policy.
- Be kind to others and take personal responsibility for all that you do.

**I understand that there will be rewards for showing good character and following our
Code of Conduct, and consequences if I break the rules outlined.**

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