Written statement of Behaviour principles

Lindsworth School caters for pupils with Social, Emotional and Mental Health Difficulties, for whom assessment has identified a need for a provision away from the mainstream environment.

Inappropriate responses, which are usually associated with other complex conditions or circumstances, are the main barrier to achievement for our pupils. Therefore, effective provision to meet their needs, through an appropriate Behaviour Policy, is key to promoting learning.

Lindsworth School strives to empower pupils to effectively address and manage their SEMH to promote social and academic 'inclusion' and to facilitate eventual reintegration into the mainstream, where this is appropriate.

The Governing Body of Lindsworth School promotes good behaviour and discipline amongst pupils and has in consultation of the Headteacher has a Behaviour Policy in place to ensure:

- Every pupil understands they have the right to feel safe, valued and respected, and to be able to learn free from the disruption of others
- All pupils, staff and visitors are free from any form of discrimination
- Staff and volunteers set an excellent example to pupils at all times
- Rewards, sanctions and reasonable force are used consistently by staff, in line with the behaviour policy
- The behaviour policy is understood by pupils, parents / carers and staff
- The suspensions and exclusions policy explains that suspensions and exclusions will only be used as a last resort, and outlines the processes involved
- Use of 'reasonable force' is understood by all pupils and parents / carers
- Pupils are helped to take responsibility for their actions
- Families and carers are involved in the handling of behaviour incidents to foster good relationships between the school and pupils' home life
- Mobile Phones in Schools Guidance shared and understood by students and parents/carers
- The Uniform Policy shared and understood by students and parents/carers

The Governing Board also emphasises that violence or threatening behaviour will not be tolerated in any circumstances.

This written statement of behaviour principles is reviewed and approved by the Full Governing Board annually.