



Ripon Grammar School

Ripon Grammar School Positive Behaviour Policy: Addendum: Covid-19 updated 7/9/2020

Courtesy, commitment and consideration for others

All students have attended a briefing regarding Covid-19 and the re-opening of school. Form tutors have briefed form groups with clear guidance regarding behaviours to limit the risk of infection around the school and to protect one another.

Students must adhere to the new measures which have been implemented to ensure their safety and the safety of others.

The expectation is that all students will adhere to the published guidance.

We recognise that 'new systems' take time to learn and staff will offer students support and direction in order to ensure that the new routines are quickly adopted and adhered to.

However, if a student chooses to ignore instructions from staff and does not adhere to the Covid-19 guidance, sanctions will be issued in line with the 'Ripon Grammar School Positive Behaviour Policy' and recorded on the school behaviour management system. Staff will apply the principal of ask, warn, sanction as stated in the RGS Positive Behaviour Policy. However, if a student deliberately puts fellow students and staff at risk by repeatedly ignoring Covid-19 guidance, the student will be removed from their class and parents will be contacted.

Consequences for inappropriate behaviour and failing to adhere to Covid-19 protocols

- Inappropriate behaviour will be challenged and may result in a student being removed from a lesson.
- If students continue to ignore Covid-19 protocols as outlined, their parents will be informed and if necessary, will be asked to collect their child from school.

Personal Hygiene

- Students must practice excellent personal hygiene – catch it, bin it, kill it. Students must avoid coughing and sneezing near people in their vicinity and cover their mouth/nose with a tissue when sneezing/coughing or use the crook of their arm. Tissues should be disposed of by placing them in the yellow plastic bags when exiting the room.
- Apply hand sanitizer/ wash hands frequently.
- When using toilets, flush after use and wash hands thoroughly.
- Wear a mask in those areas specified in the Covid-19 student guidance and take care to ensure masks are removed safely and stored in a plastic bag when not in use.

Movement between lessons

- Purposeful movement between classes and socially distance from other groups.
- Adhere to the one way system and if there are too many students in a particular area, be prepared to stand back and maintain social distance.
- Maintain social distancing when in areas with students other than those in their year group/bubble.
- Equipment must be carried from lesson to lesson.

Dining Room protocol

- Apply hand sanitizer before entering the dining room.
- Queue sensibly according to the published rota and avoid touching other students.
- Wait sensibly for the biometric finger pad to be wiped between payments.
- Sit in their allocated area of the dining room.
- Remove left over food/trays/litter from the dining room and dispose of as directed.
- If outside with students from another year group – students must adhere to the 2 metre social distance protocol.

Classroom protocol

- Students must sit in the seat allocated to them by their form tutor and remain in their seat for all lessons in their form room.
- Teachers will arrive for each session according to the timetable and they will remain at the front of the classroom as far as possible. Students should stand behind their chairs when a member of staff enters the room, and wait to be invited to be seated.
- Students must not move around the classroom. Students may only leave their seat with the permission of the teacher and are encouraged to keep their hands behind their back to minimise touching surfaces.
- Students must not share any equipment with other students. Students must aim to come equipped to class.
- Students must have their books and equipment on their desk in readiness for the start of their lessons.
- Students are welcome to bring a water bottle but must not share their water bottle with anyone else as this increases the risk of infection.

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