Exclusion Policy

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At St John's Cathedral Catholic Primary School our mission is to educate the whole child through the Gospel values of Christ.

Section 1 – Introduction

With our whole school vision as 'Loving to learn; learning to love' we aim to build and sustain positive relationships, reflecting God's love on all. We recognise that we are all made in the image of God and as such treat every individual fairly and with dignity and respect.

Section 2 – Principles

It is policy of the school to try and avoid exclusions, either permanent or fixed term, by building positive relationships, recognising individual needs and working with children and families to find solutions.

We will take all reasonable steps to avoid the need for exclusion but recognise that there are occasions when it may be necessary and the most appropriate course of action.

Section 3 – Procedures

For both fixed term and permanent exclusions, the governing body will follow the guidance from Portsmouth City Council. This information is available online at https://portsmouthlocaloffer.org/information/exclusion/

The governing body and school staff will deal with matters sensitively, consistently and without prejudice.

Section 4 - Links with other policies

- Child protection and safeguarding policy and procedures
- Behaviour policy