

# Three Bridges Primary School

**Therapeutic Thinking and Behaviour** 



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#### **Purpose of this Policy**

This therapeutic behaviour policy should be the plan for the **majority of children**. In addition to this, some children may require a Therapeutic Plan to formalise strategies that differentiate from policy. Others may need a more flexible approach at times of anxiety and change or in specific circumstances.

Our policy is underpinned by the principles of Therapeutic Thinking.

#### What is Therapeutic Thinking?

"An approach to behaviour that prioritises the prosocial experiences and feelings of everyone within the dynamic."

When we use a therapeutic approach:

- > we analyse behaviour rather than moralise about it
- > we look for the root causes from feelings and experiences
- > we model therapeutic practices with all children, adults in school and parents or visitors from outside
- > our language is chosen carefully from universal scripts to be outcome and resolution focused rather than emotive

At Three Bridges Primary School, we firmly believe that:

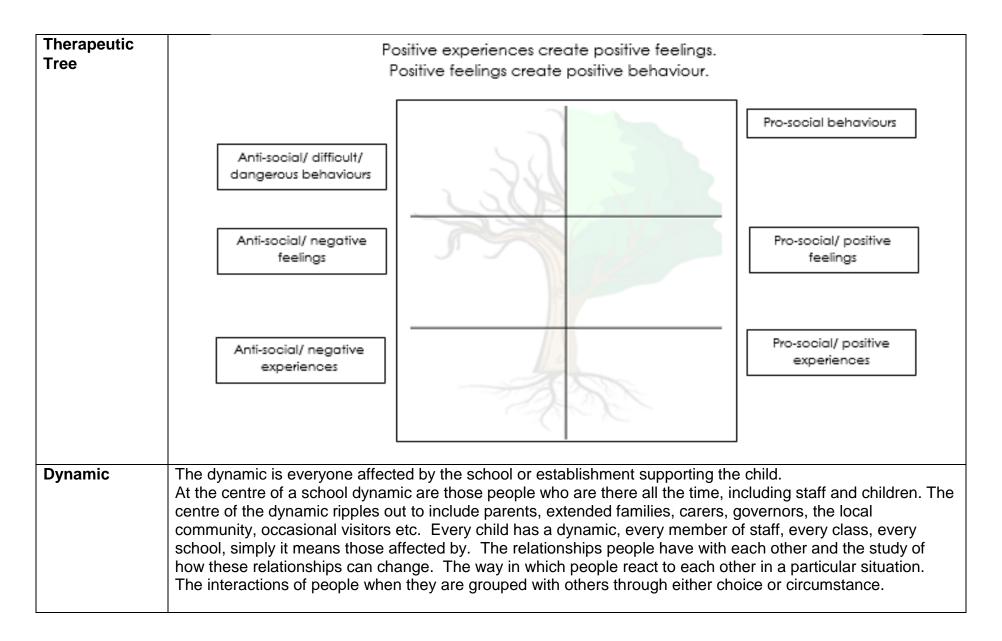
Positive experiences create positive feelings. Positive feelings create positive behaviour.

Therefore, all adults aspire to apply the 3 Cs in every situation:

# Calm, Consistency, Certainty

## Part 1 – Therapeutic Thinking

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| Policy         | Planning and managing children's behaviour creates a link between children's mental health and behaviour.  |  |  |  |  |
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| Principles     | (See DfE White Paper: Mental Health and Behaviour in Schools November 2018).<br>This policy is based on the rights, responsibilities and needs of individual and groups of pupils; |  |  |  |  |
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|                | ✓ We all have the right to feel safe   |  |  |  |  |
|                | ✓ We all have the right to work and learn  |  |  |  |  |
|                | ✓ We all have the right to be respected  |  |  |  |  |
|                | ✓ We all are responsible members of our school community   |  |  |  |  |
| Aims of this   | To promote the inseparable link between teaching, learning and behaviour   |  |  |  |  |
| Policy and the | To improve staff confidence and safety in applying a therapeutic approach within their dynamic   |  |  |  |  |
| Therapeutic    | <ul> <li>To support the inclusion of those pupils with difficult or dangerous behaviours</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |  |
| Approach       | To ensure the positive environment for safe learners   |  |  |  |  |
|                | To reduce and eliminate exclusions   |  |  |  |  |
|                | To support consistency for services within West Sussex   |  |  |  |  |
|                | We provide pupils with what they need to succeed in their learning. We endeavour to create a culture which   |  |  |  |  |
|                | inspires a love of learning through emotional and social intelligence and a responsibility of self-discipline and  |  |  |  |  |
|                | respect for others. This is reflected in our school's LEARNER values.  |  |  |  |  |

| Equality and<br>Equity    | EQUALITY EQUITY  |  |  |
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|                           | <ul> <li>Equality is treating everybody the same.</li> <li>Equality aims to promote fairness, but it can only work if everyone starts from the same place and needs the same help.</li> <li>Equity is giving everyone what they need to achieve success.</li> <li>At Three Bridges Primary school, we advocate for each child to receive the resources, experiences, appropriate interventions and support in their learning to achieve their full potential.</li> <li>Equity = Equality.</li> </ul>   |  |  |
|                           | External discipline is controlling behaviourInternal discipline is teaching behaviour.<br>To create change we need to understand, not simply suppress, the behaviour.  |  |  |
| How to teach<br>behaviour | <ul> <li>Relationships (invest at the start – children should want to do something because of the quality of their relationship with you. The more you know about the child, the more therapeutic you can be)</li> <li>Role modelling (this is essential – for example, we have to show them how to 'play nicely' by playing nicely with them)</li> <li>Consistency (not equality)</li> <li>Routines (but with flexible thinking referring to individual circumstances and quick wins – routines must be relentless and taught regularly throughout the year)</li> </ul> |  |  |

|  | <ul> <li>Prioritising prosocial behaviour (really valued in every child – thanking them, proximal praise)</li> <li>Planning alternatives to antisocial behaviour</li> <li>Reward and positive reinforcement (should be given freely and unexpectedly, not as a form of bribery – reward the behaviour that you see not the behaviour that you want)</li> <li>Feedback and recognition (give feedback when something has not been asked for – don't just celebrate the things that are expected e.g. we do not give a child a sticker for holding the door open – this should be the norm)</li> <li>Comfort and forgiveness (understanding and know that we will do it differently tomorrow)</li> <li>Ignoring (unsocial and low level behaviours, giving time for unsocial behaviour to stop – do not give attention to these behaviours)</li> <li>Positive language (tell children what you would like to see, not what you don't e.g. Please walk rather than don't run)</li> <li>Restorative Practice (follow up the behaviour, its impact and consequences at the appropriate time, after regulation has taken place/provide strategies for further occurrences). Restorative approaches refer to a range of methods and strategies which can be used both to prevent relationship-damaging incidents from happening and to resolve them if they do happen.</li> </ul> |
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|  | control.<br>We have no public methods of tracking behaviour that risk creating negative feelings – children cannot publicly<br>see the judgment of staff and we have adopted private levels of praise. Predominantly children expect<br>feedback and verbal recognition or support (visual reminders such as stickers/certificates are private and not<br>given publically to compare).  |
| Roles and<br>responsibilities<br>within the<br>dynamic | <ul> <li>Everyone is responsible for:</li> <li>Being positive role models.</li> <li>Ensuring that they are fully aware of the therapeutic behaviour approach.</li> <li>Creating a calm and well-ordered environment for teaching and learning and promoting a pride in it.</li> </ul>  |

|   | <ul> <li>Establishing and maintaining high expectations at all times and praising when expectations (however<br/>small) are reached or exceeded.</li> </ul>   |
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|   | <ul> <li>Creating an atmosphere whereby pupils and adults are treated as individuals whose rights, values,<br/>beliefs and cultures are respected.</li> </ul>   |
|   | <ul> <li>Ensuring they strive to develop positive working relationships with all members of the school community<br/>by demonstrating mutual respect and tolerance.</li> </ul>  |
|   | <ul> <li>Recognising bullying and unkindness when they occur and taking the necessary steps immediately to<br/>deal with unacceptable conduct in a constructive manner (see Anti-Bullying Policy).</li> </ul>   |
|   | <ul> <li>Consistently promoting pro-social behaviour: treat others as we would like to be treated.</li> <li>Facilitating learning about relationships and behaviour.</li> </ul>   |
|   | • Trying different approaches to therapeutic behaviour principles to meet the needs of individual children.   |
|   | The Governors and Headteacher are responsible for:  |
|   | <ul> <li>Monitoring and evaluating the impact of the Policy.</li> </ul>   |
|   | The SLT are responsible for:  |
|   | <ul> <li>A positive school ethos by establishing a happy, safe, secure and well-maintained school environment.</li> <li>Ensuring that no pupil will be discriminated against for race, religion, culture or other individual need and ensuring the safety of all.</li> </ul>                                    |
|   | <ul> <li>Regular and clear communication with parents about the role they are expected to play in the<br/>development of their child's behaviour at school.</li> </ul>  |
|   | <ul> <li>Effective monitoring and review of therapeutic behaviours throughout the school.</li> </ul>  |
|   | <ul> <li>Recording and monitoring incidents of a serious nature, taking steps to ensure that they do not reoccur.</li> <li>Regular training on a whole school basis and for individuals both as part of the school's induction process and as part of an individual's training needs.</li> </ul>                |
|   | The staff are responsible for:  |
|   | <ul> <li>Using positive therapeutic behaviour techniques to encourage socially responsible behaviour.</li> <li>Pro-actively seeking ways to avoid difficult and dangerous behaviours arising through priming children about expectations and pre-empting, where possible, when situations may arise.</li> </ul> |
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|   | <ul> <li>Recognising and valuing the needs of individual pupils according to social and academic ability and aptitude to enable them to achieve their full potential.</li> </ul>       |
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|   | Ensuring that children behave in a way that is safe for themselves and others by taking action to  |
|   | prevent accidents and difficult/dangerous behaviours before they occur (e.g. stopping a 'silly' game from continuing) both in the classroom and playground.                            |
|   | <ul> <li>Enabling pupils to take an increasing responsibility for their own learning and conduct.</li> </ul>   |
|   | Ensuring there is effective supervision of all pupils at all times (i.e. walking to the playground and   |
|   | ensuring pupils are not left anywhere without supervision when walking around the school).   |
|   | <ul> <li>Providing opportunities for pupils to share their beliefs of what is acceptable and unacceptable</li> </ul>   |
|   | behaviour, and creating a class rules/charter of conduct which will permeate to whole school practice (this needs to be re-enforced each half term or more regularly, if appropriate). |
|   | <ul> <li>Liaising with parents about matters which affect their child's happiness, progress and behaviour by</li> </ul>  |
|   | keeping the parents well informed and attending meetings when requested.   |
|   | <ul> <li>Ensuring Circle Time activities are used regularly and robustly to avoid difficult and dangerous</li> </ul>   |
|   | behaviours, to help children learn how to behave appropriately in social environments and how to deal  |
|   | with difficult and dangerous behaviours.   |
|   | <ul> <li>Ensuring that new pupils understand the procedures and guidelines that are in place.</li> </ul>   |
|   | Recording serious incidents on CPOMS on a daily basis, where a child's behaviour is deemed to have a   |
|   | serious effect on themselves and others (antisocial and dangerous antisocial behaviours).  |
|   | Parents are responsible for:   |
|   | <ul> <li>Accepting, contributing and supporting the school's codes of behaviour and therapeutic approach for<br/>staff and pupils.</li> </ul>  |
|   | <ul> <li>Accepting responsibility for the conduct of their children and offering encouragement or sanctions when<br/>appropriate.</li> </ul>   |
|   | <ul> <li>Agreeing to and signing the Home School Agreement when their child joins the school.</li> </ul>   |
|   | <ul> <li>Liaising about matters which affect their child's happiness, progress and behaviour by keeping the</li> </ul>   |
|   | school well informed about situations at home that could affect their child's behaviour in school and attending meetings when requested.   |
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|           | Pupils are responsible for:   |  |  |  |
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|           | <ul> <li>Following school rules and guidelines.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|           | • Becoming increasingly responsible for the school environment and for their own learning and behaviour.                                  |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Taking responsibility for their own actions and knowing the consequences they will have.</li> </ul>                              |  |  |  |
|           | Showing respect for each other and for each other's property and resources, as well as for school   |  |  |  |
|           | property.   |  |  |  |
|           | • Taking a pride in their learning, actions and appearance (adhering to the school uniform guidelines).                                   |  |  |  |
|           | Valuing each other's opinions.  |  |  |  |
| Types of  | Prosocial   |  |  |  |
| Behaviour | <ul> <li>Relating to behaviour which is positive, helpful, and intended to promote social acceptance.</li> </ul>                          |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Prosocial behaviour is characterised by a concern for the rights, feelings and welfare of other people.</li> </ul>               |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Behaviour which benefits other people or society.</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Prosocial behaviour can be defined as the 'absence' of antisocial behaviour.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|           | <b>Unsocial Behaviour</b> (referred to as 'difficult')  |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Not enjoying or making an effort to behave sociably in the company of others, but not to the detriment of<br/>others.</li> </ul> |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Not doing as instructed, but not to the detriment of others.</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|           | Examples of unsocial behaviour:   |  |  |  |
|           | Leaving their desk without permission   |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Leaving the carpet during input/story without permission</li> </ul>  |  |  |  |
|           | Refusing to complete the work set   |  |  |  |
|           | Refusing to change for PE   |  |  |  |
|           | Choosing to do a different activity   |  |  |  |
|           | Rocking/swinging on their chair   |  |  |  |
|           | Calling out/talking to a friend   |  |  |  |
|           | Not listening to instructions   |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Playing/fiddling with equipment</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|           | <ul> <li>Not lining up properly/ pushing in the line</li> </ul>   |  |  |  |
|           |   |  |  |  |

Be aware, all of these behaviours could be a sign of needing help, attention or that the child may be bored or impatient.

No unsocial behaviour should need SLT support unless it becomes Antisocial.

#### Anti-Social Behaviour and Dangerous Anti-Social Behaviour

Behaviour that causes harm to an individual, a group, to the community or to the environment. Behaviour that is likely to cause injury, harassment, alarm or distress. Behaviour that violates the rights of another person.

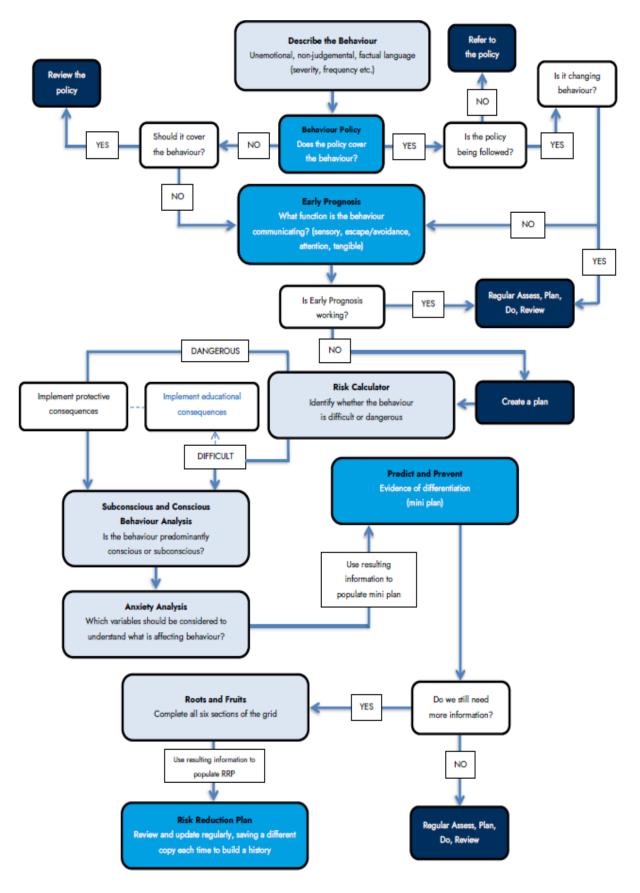
| Anti-Social Behaviours                         | Dangerous Anti-Social Behaviours               |
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| Aggressive shouting/calling out disruptively   | Leaving the school building                    |
| Continued interruptions                        | Leaving the premises                           |
| Swearing                                       | Spitting (directly at another)                 |
| Answering back, mimicking                      | Pushing aggressively                           |
| Name calling                                   | Scratching                                     |
| Lying  | Pinching                                       |
| Refusal to carry out an adult's request        | Hair pulling                                   |
| Distracting and/or disrupting others' learning | Hitting  |
| by shouting, banging, making noises            | Kicking  |
| Throwing small equipment                       | Fighting                                       |
| Leaving the classroom without permission       | Biting   |
| Damage to property/pushing over furniture      | Punching                                       |
| Stealing                                       | Throwing furniture                             |
|  | Physical or verbal bullying (see Anti-Bullying |
|  | Policy for definition)                         |

Examples of anti-social and dangerous anti-social behaviour:

|   | Antisocial behaviour <b>should not</b> need SLT support unless it is persistent and is disruptive to the learning of other children.<br>Dangerous anti-social behaviour is likely to need SLT support/intervention. |  |  |
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| Conscious and<br>sub-conscious<br>behaviour | scious Sub-conscious behaviour - unable to moderate or self-regulate  |  |  |
|   | We believe that behaviour can be a mixture of both conscious and sub-conscious.   |  |  |
|   | If we punish conscious behaviours, we often create conflict.  |  |  |
|   | If we punish sub-conscious behaviours, we can often generate more of the negative feelings associated we injustice and the difficult or dangerous behaviours.   |  |  |
|   | REGULATE<br>(teaches pupil how to<br>shift states)  | Consider that the child may be in a Negative stress system such as; Fight or<br>Flight system or Freeze system<br>DO NOT ASK THEM TO RUN OR CARRY OUT HIGH IMPACT<br>ACTIVITIES – <i>This could heighten stress state further</i><br>Offer regulation activities: distraction, fidget toys, job or errand, heavy<br>lifting, crunchy snack<br>Mindfulness or safe zone and sensory activities<br>Play a game of thought, puzzle or other thought provoking distraction<br>Use a calm box or yoga/music |  |
|   | RELATE<br>(teaches pupil<br>relationship building)  | Warm, friendly, expressive face<br>Positive body language<br>Be attentive and in tune<br>Acknowledge feelings and meet body language<br>Let them know you are on their team, fellow traveller<br>Overcompensate for their past experiences   |  |

|  |   | REASON<br>(teaches pupil)                        | Reduce your words, chunk information<br>Use multi-sensory techniques to describe or relay facts – drawing<br>Drop the subject into a play situation or relate to own feelings/experience<br>Avoid lecturing  |
|--|---|--|--|
|  |   | REPAIR<br>(teaches pupil how to<br>shift states) | Fix it together – clear it up, mend it, give time back<br>Random acts of kindness – think of something that may make that person<br>feel better<br>Avoid asking to say 'sorry', could ask them to check someone is okay<br>Do something together to reduce the shame |
| SLT assistance<br>for anti-social<br>behaviour |   |  |  |
| Reporting<br>behaviour<br>incidents            | Incidents of anti-social or dangerous anti-social behaviour – to be reported on CPOMS with SLT tagged in the report: trigger, incident, consequence.         For incidents of anti-social or dangerous anti-social behaviour, parents/ carers will need to be informed (via a telephone call <b>not</b> a Dojo message) by the class teacher. |  |  |

### **Therapeutic Thinking Flow Chart:**

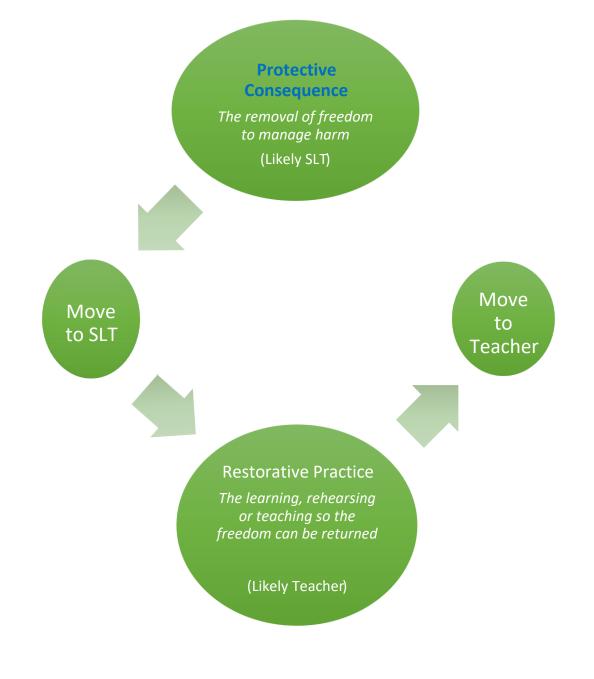


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#### Consequences Protective and/or Educational

It is essential that there is always an element of restorative practice. We must be able to show how we have helped the child develop new skills or new ways of thinking through discussion, debrief activity or rehearsing. Restorative practices provide the child with the skills and incentives to behave differently faced with the same set of circumstances reoccurring.

If there is no natural consequence, then sometimes a protective consequence is needed immediately until we have been successful with our restorative practices. Protective consequences are solely actions to ensure no further harm occurs in the short term.



#### **Pro-social Behaviours**

Children expect feedback on their pro-social behaviour and are used to having pro-social behaviour recognised. Such acts as picking up litter, holding a door open, being polite etc. are not taken for granted but also not overly celebrated/rewarded – a thank you as appreciation is enough.

When children feel safe, liked, praised, rewarded, included, involved, consulted, motivated, heard, rested, successful, accepted, needed, appreciated and nurtured they are more likely to behave pro-socially.

Create a calm and well-ordered environment for teaching and learning and foster a pride in it. Lessons are well-planned and children are motivated and keen to learn – no learning time is wasted.

#### Positive Reinforcement Ideas;

- Non-verbal examples are good for not interrupting the learning e.g. Thumbs up, point to your own smile
- Words of encouragement be specific and tell them what you are praising them for! (Praise for specific, small pro-social behaviours increases the chance of others following) 'I have noticed ......
- Peers encouraging each other
- Class Points via. Dojo
- Inform parents/carers verbally at pick up time or phone call home
- · Send to another teacher in the team or their previous teacher
- Send to Assistant Headteacher or Deputy Headteachers to show good work and receive a Headteacher's award
- Send to Headteacher to show good work and receive a Headteacher's award

\*when sending children for a Headteacher's award, this must be done discretely 1-1 rather than in front of the whole class.

## Desired pro-social behaviours:

| Behaviour  | Response  | Who is Responsible?        |
|--|---|----------------------------|
| Saying please and thank you                          | You're welcome  | Everyone                   |
| Walking safely                                       | Thank you for walking safely  | Everyone                   |
| Respecting Equipment                                 | Thank you for looking after our equipment   | Adult<br>Equipment monitor |
| Listening to each other                              | Thank you<br>Recognition board  | Everyone                   |
| Embracing, respecting and tolerating diversity       | Teaching/ learning/ celebration<br>acknowledgement  | Everyone                   |
| Putting hand up to speak unless otherwise instructed | Thumbs up/ silent thank you   | Adults                     |
| Respecting personal space                            | Well done for   | Adults                     |
| Being supportive and encouraging towards each other  | Thank you for …<br>Well done for …  | Everyone                   |
| Taking turns/ Sharing                                | I can see that you have   | Adults                     |
| Being respectful when eating                         | I can see that you are<br>Chewing with your mouth closed<br>Trying to use your knife and fork correctly<br>Sitting down when eating | Adults                     |

## Scripted Language to deal with behaviours including consequences:

| Behaviour   | Positive Phrasing  | Limited Choice  | Disempowering the behaviour  | Educational/<br>Protective<br>consequences   |
|---|--|---|--|--|
| Not completing work<br>during lesson time   | Can I help you with<br>your work?<br>Complete your work,<br>thank you  | You can complete the<br>work now or in your<br>own time   | I will check in with you<br>in minutes   | Child to complete the<br>work in their own time:<br>break, lunch or at home  |
| Refusal to follow an<br>instruction<br>- Lining up<br>- Packing away/<br>tidying up<br>- Preparing for the<br>day<br>- Beginning the<br>work<br>- Tucking in chairs<br>- Listening<br>respectfully<br>- Working<br>respectfully with a<br>partner | Repeat the instruction<br>in a positive way<br>Ask the instruction as a<br>question e.g. can you<br>walk? Thank you.<br>Thank you for<br>*instruction* | You can follow the<br>instruction now or in<br>your own time<br>(depending on<br>instruction)<br>Repeat the instruction<br>to the child | Give attention through<br>positive praise to<br>children who are<br>making the correct<br>choices – thank you to<br>other children<br>Use the Recognition<br>board to promote the<br>instruction | Reminder of the school<br>rules during a<br>restorative conversation<br>where the children are<br>reminded of the school<br>rules: ready, respectful<br>and safe |
| Leaving the classroom without permission  | Stay in the classroom, thank you   | If you make the choice<br>to leave the classroom<br>now, you will complete  | If you choose to take<br>that time now, you will<br>pay it back in your own  | Walk and talk for a restorative conversation at break time/ lunchtime  |

|                                | Is there a reason you<br>feel like you need to<br>leave the classroom?  | the work when you<br>return                                     | time: break or lunch<br>time<br>I can see that<br>something is bothering<br>you. Would you like<br>someone to talk to? I<br>can come back and talk<br>to you in minutes. | <ul> <li>this should take place outside</li> <li>Agree a plan with the child for a safe place to retreat to when they are upset. They must communicate this with you (verbal or non-verbal)</li> </ul> |
|--------------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Disengaged with the<br>dynamic | You talk and I will<br>listen<br>I will try first then you<br>can have a try<br>Is there someone that<br>you would feel<br>comfortable working<br>with?<br>What would help you<br>to engage more?<br>Would you like to work<br>by yourself? | You can work with X<br>(child) or you can work<br>independently | Intervene on the<br>behaviour  | Social intervention –<br>Lego therapy/ playing a<br>game together  |
| Wandering around the classroom | Stay in your seat,<br>thank you<br>Stay on the carpet,<br>thank you<br>What is it that you<br>need? Put your hand   | You can work on the carpet or at your seat                      | Would you like a job to<br>do?<br>Offer a brain break<br>Depending on the child,<br>offer a walk   | Reminder of<br>expectations during<br>break or lunch; ready,<br>respectful and safe and<br>how this behaviour may<br>contradict those  |

| Rocking on their chair                                | up, if you need<br>something<br>Is there something that<br>I can help you with?<br>Sit safely on your | You can work at your<br>seat or outside the<br>classroom<br>Sit safely or stand – | Reduce opportunities to<br>leave their chair<br>Use of the recognition<br>board or a reflection on<br>previous targets<br>Sit on the carpet | Protective consequence   |
|---|---|---|---|--|
|   | chair, thank you  | your chair will be<br>removed   |   | <ul> <li>removal of chair until<br/>they show they can be<br/>safe on their chair</li> </ul>                               |
| Bottle flipping                                       | Place your bottle safely<br>on the table  | Your bottle should be<br>on the table or on the<br>floor or beside the sink       | Removal of bottle from the table (on or under)  | Reminder of school rules   |
| Rubix cubes<br>(fashionable toy)                      | Rubix cubes can only<br>be used at break or<br>lunch time   | Your Rubix cube must<br>be kept in your bag or<br>at home                         | Removal of Rubix cube   | Reminder of school<br>rules – ready, respectful<br>and safe.<br>Conversation with<br>parents if the behaviour<br>continues |
| Constant toilet breaks<br>(unless known<br>medically) | You can go to the toilet<br>during break or lunch   | Did you go at break<br>time?  | Assigned toilet breaks  |  |
|   | Is there something that<br>I can help you with?<br>(Known avoidance<br>tactic)                        | Can you wait until I<br>have finished the input<br>or can you go now?             | You can go now but you<br>need to be back in X<br>minutes<br>You can go with X adult  |  |
|   | Remember to go to the toilet at break time/ lunchtime   | Can you complete X<br>work or do you need to<br>go now?                           |   |  |

| Calling out/ shouting out | Voice away, hand up to say | Please remember the rules or we will have to | Put your hand up so<br>that we can hear your   | If consistent, reminder<br>at break or lunch why |
|---------------------------|----------------------------|--|--|--|
|                           | Remember to put your       | practise during your                         | ideas  | they shouldn't do it                             |
|                           | hand up to answer a        | own time                                     |  | This calling out isn't                           |
|                           | question                   | Put your hand up or                          | Recognition board                              | working, how can we                              |
|                           | I like your answer but     | you will be asked to sit                     |  | put this right?                                  |
|                           | please put your hand       | quietly                                      | Ask the question again                         |  |
|                           | up                         |  | so that they can be<br>chosen by putting their |  |
|                           |                            |  | hand up  |  |
|                           |                            |  |  |  |
|                           |                            |  | Apologise to the person                        |  |
|                           |                            |  | interrupted and ask for                        |  |
|                           |                            |  | their answer again                             |  |

| Behaviour                | Positive Phrasing   | Limited Choice  | Disempowering the<br>Behaviour                                   | Educational/<br>Protective<br>Consequences   |
|--------------------------|---|---|--|--|
| Interrupting others      | Let other children talk,<br>thank you                             | Wait your turn or tell<br>me at break/lunch/end<br>of day                 | Well done X, for waiting your turn                               | Restorative<br>conversation at break<br>time |
|                          | We put our hand up if we like to talk                             |   | Thank you everyone for waiting                                   | Talk to the interuptee to get them to share  |
|                          | We need to have one voice in the classroom                        |   | You can continue talking;<br>the rest of the class is going      | how they felt                                |
|                          | Show me you can wait for your turn                                |   | to   | Circle time on taking turns                  |
|                          | You can have your turn in a minute                                |   |  |  |
|                          | I can see you have lots<br>to share, wait your turn,<br>thank you |   |  |  |
| Leaving the<br>classroom | For your safety you<br>need to be in the<br>classroom             | You need to return to<br>the classroom or you'll<br>have to make up these | I can see you need a break,<br>take X minutes and then<br>return | Explanation of why it safer in the class     |
|                          |   | minutes at break/lunch  |  | Conversation with parents                    |

|   | Remember our<br>classroom/school rules<br>Remember to show<br>respectful behaviour  | You can go to X room<br>or Y room to finish this<br>work<br>You need to see X<br>adult or Y adult so they<br>know you've left the<br>room and are safe |   |   |
|---|---|--|---|---|
| Distracting others<br>(moving around the<br>class, calling across<br>the class) | <ul> <li>Thank you for staying in your seats everyone.</li> <li>Thank you for not calling out</li> <li>Well done everyone for following the class rules</li> <li>Sit in your seat, thank you</li> <li>Go back the quickest way to your seat, thank you</li> <li>Put your voice away, thank you</li> </ul> | You can show me you<br>sit sensibly now or we<br>can discuss making<br>sensible choices at<br>break/lunch<br>You can sit in your seat<br>or here       | I can see you need to move<br>so take a lap of the<br>classroom<br>I can see you've got lots to<br>say, write it on your<br>whiteboard/share it with me | Discuss how their<br>behaviour distracts<br>others from their<br>learning<br>Class assembly |
| Name calling  | We show respect in this<br>classroom/school<br>We use kind words  | You can apologise by<br>saying it or writing it by<br>X  | I can see you are unhappy<br>with X person, what can we<br>do together to solve the<br>problem  | Restorative chat<br>between the 'victim'<br>and the 'offender'                              |

|  | You can think<br>something but you<br>don't have to say it<br>Remember we are all<br>friends here                 |   | You can be kind now or you<br>can go to the restorative<br>room to work on kindness  |  |
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| Destroying property  | Show respect to our<br>property, thank you<br>Damaging property<br>stops us spending on<br>technology, trips etc. | Show me you can use<br>this equipment sensibly<br>or I will have to support<br>you with its use | I can see<br>frustrated/angry/bored/other<br>emotion causing the<br>behaviour. How else can<br>you show this feeling in a<br>better way? | Pupil to help repair the<br>damage<br>Explain what they've<br>done to the SBM,<br>office staff, their<br>parents |
| Low level physical<br>behaviour e.g.<br>tapping others,<br>poking, shaking<br>others | We keep our hands to<br>ourselves<br>Respectful behaviour<br>means keeping to our<br>own space                    | You can use your fiddle toy or  | You can tap quietly on your knee/arm etc.  | Discussion about<br>disrupting others from<br>learning   |

| Dangerous Anti-Soc | ial Behaviours will likely | need SLT support after | following the script        |                         |
|--------------------|----------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|
| Behaviour          | Positive Phrasing          | Limited Choice         | Disempowering the           | Educational/ Protective |
|                    |                            |                        | Behaviour                   | Consequences            |
| Extreme damage to  | I can see you are          | N/A                    | Guide the child to          | Ensure the rest of the  |
| property-          | struggling; I will be      |                        | another area                | children are safe       |
| Breaking windows   | here when you are          |                        | Distraction techniques      | (remove the children)   |
| Breaking furniture | ready.                     |                        |                             | Secure dangerous        |
| Throwing chairs    |                            |                        | <b>Uncontrolled/Extreme</b> | objects                 |
|                    |                            |                        | Provide space and time      | Social story            |
|                    |                            |                        | Adults to not engage        | Repair the damage       |
|                    |                            |                        | Limit talking and number    | Suspension/Exclusions   |
|                    |                            |                        | of adults involved          | Escalate to SLT         |
|                    |                            |                        |                             | Inform parents          |
| Violence to peers  | Use kind hands             | N/A                    | Guide the child to          | Ensure the rest of the  |
| Spitting           | Keep everybody safe        |                        | another area                | children are safe       |
| Biting             |                            |                        | Distraction techniques      | (remove the children)   |
| Punching           |                            |                        |                             | Secure dangerous        |
| Kicking            | <u>Uncontrolled/</u>       |                        | <b>Uncontrolled/Extreme</b> | objects                 |
| Slapping           | <u>Extreme</u>             |                        | Provide space and time      | Suspension/Exclusions   |
| Throwing objects   | I can see something        |                        | Adults to not engage        | Social stories          |
| Shoving (overly    | has happened; I am         |                        | Limit talking and number    | Escalate to SLT         |
| forceful)          | here to help               |                        | of adults involved          | Inform parents          |
| Use of a weapon    |                            |                        |                             |                         |
| Throwing stones    |                            |                        |                             |                         |
| Violence to staff  | Use kind hands             |                        | Guide the child to          | Ensure the rest of the  |
| Spitting           | Keep everybody safe        |                        | another area                | children are safe       |
| Biting             |                            |                        | Distraction techniques      | (remove the children)   |
| Punching           |                            |                        |                             | Secure dangerous        |
| Kicking            |                            |                        | Uncontrolled/Extreme        | objects                 |
| Slapping           |                            |                        | Provide space and time      | Suspension/Exclusions   |

| Throwing objects    | Uncontrolled/           |                          | Adults to not engage       | Social stories        |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| Shoving (overly     | Extreme                 |                          | Limit talking and number   | Escalate to SLT       |
| forceful)           | I can see something     |                          | of adults involved         | Inform parents        |
| Use of a weapon     | has happened; I am      |                          |                            |                       |
| Throwing stones     | here to help            |                          |                            |                       |
| Ū                   |                         |                          |                            |                       |
| Self-harm           | Keep yourself safe      | Shall we walk (and       | Secure dangerous           | Escalate to SLT       |
|                     |                         | talk)? Or would you like | objects, provide a stress  | Inform parents        |
|                     | Uncontrolled/           | to stay and do some      | relief toy/object-         |                       |
|                     | Extreme                 | colouring/games?         | weighted blanket, toy,     |                       |
|                     | I can see something     |                          | sensory room,              |                       |
|                     | has happened; I am      |                          |                            |                       |
|                     | here to help            |                          |                            |                       |
|                     | I can see that you are  |                          |                            |                       |
|                     | upset your actions      |                          |                            |                       |
|                     | are showing me that     |                          |                            |                       |
|                     | you are not yourself.   |                          |                            |                       |
| Escaping the school | I am not chasing you; I |                          | Distractions: Blocking the | Suspension/Exclusions |
| grounds             | am going to stay in     |                          | escape routes (if          | Social stories        |
|                     | school where it is      |                          | possible)                  | Escalate to SLT       |
|                     | safe                    |                          | Provide the opportunity    | Inform parents        |
|                     | I will be here if you   |                          | for Forest Schools         |                       |
|                     | need me                 |                          | (outdoor learning) An      |                       |
|                     |                         |                          | alternative provision.     |                       |
| Threats of violence | Your words have         | You can use kind words   | Be present, allow the      | Suspension/Exclusions |
| (Emotional trauma)  | hurt I will listen to   | or would you like to     | child to talk when they    | Social stories        |
|                     | you when you are        | draw how you are         | are ready                  | Escalate to SLT       |
|                     | ready to use more       | feeling?                 | Limited talking and        | Inform parents        |
|                     | appropriate language.   |                          | number of adults           |                       |
|                     |                         |                          | Time and space             |                       |

| Possession of     | I am concerned: I want | Drop it on the floor or I | Secure the dangerous    | Suspension/Exclusions |
|-------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| weapons intent to | to help.               | will have to call the     | object if it is dropped | Social stories        |
| cause harm        | Drop it on the floor   | police                    | Distraction             | Escalate to SLT       |
|                   |                        |                           | Safeguard staff and     | Inform parents        |
|                   |                        |                           | children                | Escalate to police    |

| Examples of responses:   | Post-incident recovery and debrief measures (Restorative        |
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| Name, you have used your safe space, well done.'                     | Practice):  |
| You are making a good effort with your learning.'                    |   |
| Thank you for telling me how this made you feel.'                    | 'It is time for a chill and chat'                               |
| Thank you for being honest with me and telling me the truth.'        | 'Tell me what happened when'                                    |
| I can see that you are upsetyour body language is showing me you are | 'How were you feeling when you?'                                |
| cross'   | 'Who has been affected?'  |
| I can understand how that could be upsetting/annoying…'              | 'How can you help to put this right?'                           |
|  | 'So let's practise what we have learnt so that we can do things |
|  | better next time.'  |

### **Post-Incident Recovery and Debrief Measures**

Ask restorative questions such as (Link to LEARNER where possible):

"Tell me what happened when ... "

"What were you thinking at the time?"

"How were you feeling when you...?"

"Did anyone get hurt, was anyone sad?"

"What have you thought since?"

"How can you help to put this right?"

"How can we make things better for you when you feel like this?"

"So let's practise what we have learnt so that we can do things better next time"

Do not ask too many questions as this will be overwhelming...maybe start with one or two or say 'Tell me about...'

Use activities such as: Comic strip conversations / Feeling cards / Puppets Symbols

Three things to try if a pupil clams up:

"OK, imagine if there were... (people affected/ a way of putting it right/ things you could do differently). What would they be?

1-10 scales: "On a scale of 1-10, how angry were you?"

Offer a postponement and some support if the child is not ready to talk: "I can see that you are not ready. Do you need a minute or two, or would you like to meet tomorrow? Teacher X can help you with the answers."

| REGULATE<br>(teaches pupil how to shift<br>states) | Consider that the child may be in a Negative stress system such<br>as; Fight or Flight system or Freeze system<br>DO NOT ASK THEM TO RUN OR CARRY OUT HIGH IMPACT<br>ACTIVITIES<br>Offer regulation activities; distraction, fidget toys, job or errand,<br>heavy lifting, crunchy snack<br>Mindfulness or safe zone and sensory activities<br>Play a game of thought, puzzle or other thought provoking<br>distraction<br>Use a calm box or yoga/music |
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| RELATE<br>(teaches pupil relationship<br>building) | Warm, friendly, expressive face<br>Positive body language<br>Be attentive and in tune<br>Acknowledge feelings and meet body language<br>Let them know you are on their team, fellow traveller<br>Overcompensate for their past experiences  |
| REASON<br>(teaches pupil)                          | Reduce your words, chunk information<br>Use multi-sensory techniques to describe or relay facts – drawing<br>Drop the subject into a play situation or relate to own<br>feelings/experience. Avoid lecturing  |

|                           | To make our learners Beady, Beansatful and Safe   |
|---------------------------|---|
|                           | To make our learners Ready, Respectful and Safe,<br>This is how we do it here: the Three Bridges way…   |
| Daily routine             | <ul> <li>A member of SLT will greet the children every morning and every afternoon on the main school gates;</li> <li>SLT will be visible throughout the school day – in the corridor; in the lunch hall; during break time and during lunchtime;</li> <li>Each class teacher will greet their children at their classroom door every morning;</li> <li>Members of the Year group team will greet the children on the playground, in the corridor and in the shared area every morning;</li> <li>Groups of children will be supervised at all times – walking to assembly; walking to break and lunch; walking to the library etc.</li> <li>Adults will teach and embed classroom routines throughout the school year (getting the class silent, setting the class to work, reflective questioning etc.);</li> <li>Adults will encourage the children they are working with to remind them of the routine before they start their work.</li> </ul>  |
| Dealing with<br>behaviour | <ul> <li>Behaviour will be responded to with deliberate calm – do not allow the emotion of the incident to affect your response;</li> <li>Only the primary behaviour will be dealt with;</li> <li>Unsocial, anti-social and dangerous anti-social behaviour will be addressed using scripted language – see behaviour policy;</li> <li>Take the 'fame' out of being badly behaved – don't celebrate or reinforce poor behaviour;</li> <li>Educational and protective consequences will be dealt with privately;</li> <li>Whole class punishments will not be used;</li> <li>Dojos can be awarded individually for 'over and above' behaviours, however they will not be celebrated on an individual basis but as a whole class against the 500-point target;</li> <li>Teachers will celebrate success using a 'recognition board' to achieve whole class targets;</li> <li>Thank pro-social behaviour and celebrate the behaviours that go 'over and above';</li> <li>Share success – if a pupil has gone 'over and above' share it with other adults so that they can celebrate their success with them;</li> <li>If a pupil has gone 'over and above' share it with their family with a phone call home.</li> </ul> |
| Adult<br>behaviour        | <ul> <li>Strive to be calm, provide consistency and certainty when dealing with each other and with children;</li> <li>Take the time to get the know the children they are working with – make the learners in your care feel important, valued and like they belong;</li> </ul>  |

| Scripted<br>language | <ul> <li>Take the time to teach children how to behave, continually throughout the year – do not expect them to know how to behave;</li> <li>Focus positive attention on effort, not achievement;</li> <li>Give first attention to those doing the right thing;</li> <li>Do not tell the child how their behaviour makes you feel;</li> <li>Adults will refuse to shout – if your model of behaviour is poor it will affect how the children behave;</li> <li>Consistently focus positive recognition on those children who are going 'over and above'</li> <li>Address every child by their first name, pronounced correctly, and not by a nickname or pet name;</li> <li>Limit the amount of time a child is separated from their class;</li> <li>Understand that children who present challenging behaviours are not defined by these behaviours;</li> <li>Understand that, on average, the recovery time after a period of crisis is 40 minutes;</li> <li>Deliver the sanction on the same day so that each new day starts fresh – previous incidents should not be carried over or referenced in future;</li> <li>Adults will use dedicated time to have restorative conversations with children – this must not be seen as a 'bolt on'</li> <li>When having restorative conversations with children, answer the questions too – this presents as a dialogue rather than a private shaming;</li> <li>The restorative meeting must not be a prelude to an apology – it should be a safe space where you are both free to speak. A forced apology does not teach humility; it underlines obedience.</li> <li>See behaviour policy for more detail on scripted language.</li> <li>Behaviour will be dealt with in a consistent way, using the scripted language provided in the behaviour policy;</li> <li>Provide the children with the most appropriate option: Positive Phrasing, Limited Choice, Disempowering the Behaviour or, Protective or</li> </ul> |
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|                      | <ul> <li>Provide the children with the most appropriate option: Positive Phrasing,<br/>Limited Choice, Disempowering the Behaviour or, Protective or<br/>Educational Consequence (SLT referral);</li> <li>If the children turn away from you when you are delivering the scripted<br/>language, mimic you, say it with you or deliberately refuse to listen,</li> </ul>   |
|                      | <ul> <li>continue with the script;</li> <li>If younger children cry, say, 'I will come back to you when you have stopped crying.' Then you will need to find a moment to address the issue;</li> <li>Teach the children the scripts that you are going to use: they should not be secret! If other children overhear you using a script it is a good thing as it shows that you are being consistent and fair.</li> </ul>   |

## This whole-school, adult agreement will be reviewed half-termly.