

Walter Infant School and Nursery

'To be the best I can be'

BEHAVIOUR POLICY

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Mission Statement:

Walter Infant School and Nursery is an equitable, safe, secure and happy place to learn; our children grow as individuals in a stimulating and exciting environment which values respect, kindness, honesty, empathy and resilience.



Policy Statement

We have a Therapeutic Thinking Approach to supporting our children in developing proactive prosocial behaviours; we want our children to enjoy coming to school, to enjoy learning so that they will be able to do more, remember more and know more. We want their school memories to be happy and for their experiences to be positive. We want to make their lives better.

It is our aim that no child will be suspended or excluded from our school; we want to provide an environment that enables every child to behave in a way that results in every child being included in school every day. Some children may need to attend on a part-time timetable; our intention is that we can provide an adapted approach to learning for all children at all times.



Our BIG Curriculum!

At Walter Infant School and Nursery, we consider ourselves to be a "BIG School for LITTLE PEOPLE". We have designed a 'BIG' curriculum to excite, inspire and foster a desire to learn; we want our children to know more about the world around them and to be happy, confident and successful. We will encourage our children to have very positive behaviours for learning and to ask BIG questions and for our staff team to support our children in finding authentic, age-appropriate answers to those questions and inspire them to want to know more. Our children will learn through real-life and practical experiences, as well as through wonderful, awe-inspriring, non-fiction texts. Our children will learn inside and outside the classroom, fulfilling and exceeding the requirements of national age-appropriate curriculums in a stimulating, fun and memorable way.

Rationale

At Walter Infant School and Nursery, we recognise that children need to develop good 'Behaviours for Learning' as well as learning to behave well as part of a large group within society. These behaviours need to be fostered appropriately and we aim to enable children to be respectful of others and the environment and to have a love for learning.

What do we believe?

Children learn to behave well from good role-models and from clear expectations. We aim to create an environment in our school that encourages and reinforces good behaviour. All adults encountered by children at school have an important responsibility to model high standards of behaviour, both in their interactions with children and with each other, as their example has an important influence on the children.

Why do we need to behave in a certain way?

The children at Walter Infant School and Nursery understand that we need agreed expectations to keep us safe from harm and to enable learning to take place.

Rights and Responsibilities (Human Rights Act 2000)

Everyone has the right to:

- Safety
- Education
- Shelter (somewhere to live)
- Warmth
- Food
- Clothing
- Personal space
- Freedom of speech
- To be different
- To feel comfortable
- Equal opportunities (given the chance to be what you want to be whether you are rich or poor, whatever religion or race).

With rights come responsibilities: some of our responsibilities are

- To follow the expectations for behaviour at home, at school and in the community after all they are there for our safety and to protect our rights and the rights of others
- To be the best person that we can be
- To take care of our own bodies as best we can
- To respect the rights of others
- To look after our own belongings and respect the belongings of others
- To learn as well as we can
- To care about others who are not as strong in some ways as we are



Rights and Responsibilities: Children

Right	Responsibility
I have the right to be treated	I have the responsibility to not hurt
with respect	the feelings of others
No-one has the right to hurt my	
feelings	
I have the right to be treated as	I have the responsibility to respect
an individual	people's differences
No-one has the right to be unfair	
to me because of how I look, of	
what I believe or whether I am a	
boy or a girl	
I have the right to be safe	I have the responsibility to help
No-one has the right to hit me, to	keep people safe
hurt me or to intimidate me	
I have the right to learn, listen	I have the responsibility to listen
and be heard	when others wish to speak, and to
No-one has the right to disturb me	remember that my opinion is not
when I am working, to make it	the only one
difficult for me to listen to the	
ideas of others, to prevent me	
from expressing my own ideas	
I have the right to the exclusive	I have the responsibility to respect
use of my own personal	the property of others
property and to decide who else	
may use it and when they may	
do so	

Rights and Responsibilities: Adults in school

Right	Responsibility
I have the right to be spoken to politely and with respect	I have the responsibility to speak politely and respectfully to everyone
I have the right to be treated as a professional	I have the responsibility to uphold the requirements of the teaching standards /my job description

	I have the responsibility to attend training and undertake continuous professional development
I have the right to be able to do my job without disruption and with adequate resources and support I have the right to be informed through effective communication links	I have the responsibility to model and promote positive behaviours and use resources appropriately I have the responsibility to communicate following agreed procedures
I have the right to work in a safe and secure environment	I have the responsibility to contribute to the safety and wellbeing of others
I have the right to be treated as a valued equal within a well ordered team with clear shared values	I have the responsibility to treat all members of the team equally and value all contributions I have the responsibility to accept and uphold the shared values and policies of the school
I have the right to make mistakes and have my successes celebrated	I have the responsibility to take ownership of mistakes and learn from them and to give praise and encouragement to others I have the responsibility to be honest about my actions and be reflective about my own practice

Walter Infant School and Nursery we do not have school rules we have: Expectations for Behaviour

- Treat everyone with respect
- Be polite and kind to everyone
- Tell the truth
- Look after the school and the things in it
- Move around the school sensibly
- Always try your best



- To differentiate between subconscious behaviour (behaviours that choose us) and conscious behaviour (behaviour that we choose) ~ see below
- To foster a <u>calm, purposeful and happy atmosphere</u> within the school where everyone feels valued, safe and respected
- To promote positive caring attitudes towards everyone where achievements at all levels are acknowledged and valued
- To encourage increasing independence and self-discipline so that each child learns to accept responsibility for his/her own behaviour



- To have a consistent Therapeutic approach to behaviour throughout the school, which is widely known and understood, encouraging the involvement of pupils and parents in the implementation of this policy
- To clearly explain what constitutes pro-social acceptable behaviour in order to help children change their behaviours
- To clearly explain what constitutes anti-social unacceptable behaviour in order to help children change their behaviours

Adults will:

- Not shout or use a loud, scary voice to manage behaviour
- Create a positive and respectful climate with realistic expectations
- Communicate with parents and carers in a timely and appropriate manner
- Promote the school Expectations for Behaviour; ensuring the children have a good understanding
- Use a calm voice without shouting or using negative language
- Be sensitive and kind at all times
- Praise good behaviour authentically
- Be ready to challenge unwanted (unacceptable) behaviours providing the children with the opportunity to explore what is expected of them and help them find alternative ways to behave (What have you done? What should you have done? What could you do differently next time?)
- Promote through example, honesty and courtesy
- Always listen to both sides when dealing with incidents
- Offer a curriculum that engages and enthuses all the children
- Encourage relationships based on kindness, respect and understanding of the needs of others
- Ensure fair treatment for all regardless of age, gender, race and ability and disability
- Think about the child and take into consideration anything that could impact on how a child is behaving (consciously or sub-consciously)
- Show appreciation of the efforts and contributions of all children throughout the school week

Conscious Behaviour

Behaviours that we choose because they are successful or effective at meeting our needs. Behaviours that are the result of thought or planning.

- Predominantly conscious behaviours serve the individual well enough to encourage them to use the behaviour despite any certain or potential consequence or sanction associated with their behaviour.
- Conscious decisions are influenced by a perceived outcome. They can be
 positively influenced by rewards, praise, recognition etc, or suppressed with
 expectations, consequences, disapproval (within an established positive
 relationship), positive peer influences or expectations.
- Responses to pro-social conscious behaviours may include positive feedback, recognition, consequential rewards or logical additional freedoms (you have done an excellent job so now you can choose what to do".
- Responses to anti-social conscious behaviour will be supported by clear expectations and an understanding of the certainty of the logical protective and educational consequences.

Subconscious Behaviours

Behaviours that choose us; behaviours that are evident without any thought or planning

- Predominantly sub-conscious behaviour is a sign of a failure to cope with an overwhelming feeling, such as being overwhelmed with frustration, anxiety, depression or excitement.
- Subconscious behaviour can be influenced by support, deflection, nurture as well as reduced stimulus, change of personnel or peer group. Emotional support, counselling, managing triggers such as space, noise or activity
- Responses to pro-social subconscious behaviours may include recognition and celebration to raise the behaviour to a conscious level, for example emotional feedback such as smiles, clapping, laughing, praising
- Responses to anti-social subconscious behaviour may include managing feelings through support, discussions, restorative work, counselling, recovery time or managing the experiences with classroom arrangements and support, family support, Canine Assisted Learning, differentiated activities.

We will use tools such as an anxiety analysis and the Conscious and Subconscious behaviour checklist to support the strategies we use to help plan individualise behaviour plans and approaches.

Team Teach and De-escalation Strategies: Positive Behaviour ManagementAll teachers and most classroom based support workers and Lunchtime Controllers (where possible) will receive Team Teach and de-escalation strategies training every three years by a qualified instructor and licensed provider.

The most important techniques are the de-escalation strategies taught through Team Teach:

Team Teach is an accredited, award-winning provider of positive behaviour management and training, equipping individuals and teams in a variety of settings to deal with challenging situations and behaviours in ways that lead to desirable outcomes and positive relationships at work or in daily life.

Our aim: through the promotion of de-escalation strategies and the reduction of risk and restraint, is to support teaching, learning and caring, by increasing staff confidence and competence, in responding to conscious and subconscious behaviours that challenge us, whilst promoting and protecting positive relationships.

Children will:

- Follow the Expectations for Behaviour in School and the class expectations (rules)
- Listen to others
- Respect and care for others
- Learn and work co-operatively
- Resolve disputes positively
- Value and take responsibility for the environment
- Be aware of their own emotions and actions and where possible, take responsibility for their behaviour
- Be aware of and understand their rights and responsibilities

Parents, carers and families will:

 Inform the school of any changes in circumstance or one-off events which may have a negative impact on the child's wellbeing

- Support the school when reasonable consequences have been used
- Promote positive behaviour at home to have continuity between home and school
- Contact the class teacher if they have concerns around behaviour in or outside of school
- Be aware of and understand their rights and responsibilities

The governing body will:

- Support the school in the implementation of the policy
- Review the effectiveness of the policy

The Curriculum and Learning

We believe that an appropriately progressive and well-planned curriculum and effective learning contribute to good behaviour. Our lessons and sessions will:

- Have a clear focus that is interesting and memorable, with a variety of activities to meet the learning styles presented and stimulate good behaviours for learning
- Be age appropriate, with suitable challenge that moves learning on
- Have clear learning intentions and outcomes which are understood by all children
- Plan for differentiation to meet the academic and emotional needs of all children
- Provide feedback to children through verbal comments and marking, on progress and as a signal that children's efforts are valued and that progress matters

Classroom Management

We recognise that classroom management and teaching methods have an important influence on children's behaviour:

- Classrooms will be organised to develop independence and personal initiative
- Classroom expectations for behaviour will be agreed by the class and displayed in a way that can be accessed and understood by all children in the class
- Furniture will be arranged to provide an environment conducive to on-task behaviour
- Materials and resources will be arranged to aid accessibility and reduce disruption
- Displays will help to develop self-esteem through demonstrating the value of every individual's contribution
- Teaching methodologies will encourage active participation for all through effective differentiation
- Teaching will develop the skills, knowledge and understanding to enable children to work and play in co-operation with others
- Praise will be used to encourage good behaviour as well as good work
- Less positive feedback should be handled sensitively and children should NEVER feel ridiculed.
- All adults will use a calm voice and will not use negative language
- All behaviours should be linked to our Walter Values

Rewards

At Walter Infant School and Nursery, we have high expectations for behaviour at all times; children are encouraged to behave well and to follow the school Expectations for Behaviour. We expect to see children interested and engaged in their learning and 'ready to learn' inside and outside the classroom.

The children at Walter Infant School and Nursery try hard to choose to behave well because they are proud of their school and enjoy coming every day.

Teachers and support staff reward the children for good behaviour and good 'behaviours for learning' (BfL); these rewards might be:

- Authentic praise for effort, achievement or conduct
- Encouragement to 'be the best they can be'
- Positive written feedback in their books
- Headteacher's award
- Headteacher's Star of the Week, chosen by the teacher but awarded by the Headteacher in the Friday Assembly
- Kindness leaves for the Kindness Board
- Values badges awarded for displaying the Walter Values which will be awarded in the Friday Assembly
- WOW boards and display boards
- Some teachers may choose to offer stickers or tickets as a reward; this is acceptable if it is fair and equitable

Behaviour Management

Our five Walter Values of: Kindness, Empathy, Resilience, Honesty and Respect. are the pro-social behaviours that we focus on as well as the fundamental British Values of democracy, the rule of law, individual liberty and tolerance.

Our children will be treated fairly and encouraged to behave positively. It is imperative that the 'behaviour' is the focus for all behaviour management strategies and referred to clearly; "Your behaviour is unacceptable because it is unkind" not "You are unkind". Wherever possible link unwanted behaviour to our Walter Values of: Kindness, Empathy, Resilience, Honesty and Respect.

Changing anti-social behaviour to pro-social behaviour

- Ask children politely 'What are you doing?"
- Remind children how they should behave "what should you be doing?" and "what are you going to do now?
- If a child continues to behave in a way that prevents them or others from learning, is dangerous or disrespectful then a consequence must be agreed. For example, if a child continues to talk or interrupt, they will need to sit away from other people. "as you keep talking to the person next to you, obviously you will need to sit by yourself". Or, if a child cannot play gently during

playtime; "If you cannot play without hurting other children, obviously you will have to play out at a different time." Ensure all strategies are manageable and acceptable. At all times try to support children in changing their anti-social behaviours to pro-social behaviours.

Trips

If after assessing risk, a child's behaviour leading up to a trip has been unacceptable and it is felt that their participation on the trip would be a health and safety risk then participation will be reviewed with parents, the teacher in charge of the trip and senior leaders. It would be very unlikely for a child to be refused access to the trip but we might ask a parent to attend to support behaviour off site.

Playtimes

If a child fails to meet our Expectations for Behaviour at playtime; they will be reminded how to behave properly, if they continue to behave in the wrong way, they will lose some or all of their play time. The consequence will depend on the severity of the behaviour:

- Five minutes away from their friends in another area of the playground "As you are not playing nicely with your friends, obviously you will need to play away from them"
- Disqualification from the football pitch "As you are not playing fairly, obviously you will have to leave the football pitch and play somewhere else."
- Throwing or using toys in the wrong way; "As you are not playing properly with the skipping rope, obviously you cannot use a skipping rope today".
- Fighting or rough play; "as you are playing in a rough way that is hurting your friends, obviously you will have to play a different game."

N.B. All adults on duty can apply a consequence for poor/unwanted/dangerous behaviour at lunchtime. At Playtime, if the behaviour is considered to require support from the Headteacher, a learning support assistant should approach the teacher on duty first for advice.

Lunchtimes

Behaviour management for lunchtimes is shared in detail in the **Lunchtime Procedures** Documents – see Appendix 2 and Appendix 3

Personal Conduct

Treat all children fairly and with respect

Remember, appearances may be deceiving and it is easy to jump to the wrong conclusions. Always take time to talk to the children. Your attitude to the children will in turn affect their attitude towards you.

It is not expected that adults will shout in school unless a child or children are in danger.

"Now, try to calm down and tell me what happened, one at a time and we'll sort it out."

Adopt a friendly and approachable manner

It is very important that the children see you as someone who is approachable. Children always respond well to people with warm, understanding natures; a stern and distant manner will prevent them from approaching you. Don't cluster together with other lunchtime controllers as this discourages the children from approaching you.

"Hello Sam, what can I do for you?"

Be Polite

Speak politely to the children to show them how they should talk to you. If you make a mistake, don't be afraid to say you are sorry.

Take an interest in the children

Try and make children feel special by having a chat with them, especially children who seem to be always on their own.

Always be positive

Praise is always more effective than criticism. Catch the children when they are making good choices rather than continually criticising a child whose behaviour often falls below our expectation.

Show how pleased you are

A gentle pat on the back, a smile or an encouraging comment can go a long way and be very beneficial.

Be trustworthy and respect confidentiality

You are in a responsible position of trust. Be careful not to tell other parents about incidents that happen at school. A careless comment at the wrong moment can lead to very difficult and unwelcome situations.

Stay calm

It is important to remain calm and in control when managing children's behaviour, following de-escalation strategies from Team Teach. Any adult who feels they are not in control should immediately seek the support of a colleague.

Avoid labels

When speaking to children about their actions, adults will **focus on the unwanted behaviour** and ensure that the children understand what they need to change about their behaviour. Children **will not be labelled** as naughty by any adults or children in school.

Give responsibilities

Most children respond well when given responsibility. Stress how helpful their assistance is to you. This can be especially useful with a child who struggles to behave within our expectations as it gives you the opportunity to praise and encourage them. Ask them to take a message to another member of staff or to find another child for you.

Examples of unwanted behaviour

- Non-compliance, refusal to join in or follow instructions
- Poor listening
- Talking at the wrong time
- Distracting others, stopping other children from learning
- Poor attitude towards work
- Rough play
- Name calling
- Excluding another child from playing

Recordable behaviours that may require an immediate sanction

These behaviours, along with persistent low-level disruption will need to be recorded on CPOMS.

- Rudeness towards adults
- Proven bullying behaviour (see our Equality and Anti-bullying Policy)
- Continued rough play
- · Violence towards an adult or another child
- Swearing at someone to be deliberately offensive
- Mistreating equipment on purpose
- Spoiling someone else's work

Consequences (using the word obviously)

Sometimes it may be necessary to enforce a consequence if a child is unable to manage their anti-social behaviour or has displayed unacceptable behaviours resulting in their names being recorded in the behaviour log; if this is the case one of the following consequences might be put in place:

- The child or children may be moved away from an area where the unwanted behaviour is occurring, for example, on the football pitch for an agreed period of time. "As you are playing roughly on the football pitch, obviously you cannot play football today"
- Removal of some or all of playtime (time subject to severity of behaviour) "As you are playing in the wrong way, obviously you will miss five minutes of your playtime
- Loss of free choice time (time subject to severity of behaviour) "As you have been unable to complete your work in the lesson because you have been

- behaving in the wrong way, obviously you will have to complete your working during Friday Fun/at playtime"
- The child could be sent to the Key Stage Leader for a period of time (time subject to severity of behaviour) or to receive a verbal sanction. As you are not listening to what I say, obviously you will have to go to see..."
- For more serious breaches of the Expectations for Behaviour, a child may be sent to the Headteacher (or the Deputy Head in the absence of the Headteacher. As you have not changed your behaviour like I asked you to, obviously you will need to see...to explain what has happened."

It will be at the discretion of the class teacher or head teacher to inform the parents and carers about a child's behaviour. Persistent anti-social behaviour will need to be brought to the attention of colleagues and the child's parents. It is not appropriate to discuss the child's behaviour with any adult other than the registered parents and carers. We will use the **Behaviour Flowchart** (Appendix 4) to support our next steps.

Fixed-term and permanent exclusions

As a Therapeutic Thinking School exclusion is linked to the management of risk (protective consequence) and not used as a punishment, sanction or discipline measure only the Headteacher (or the acting Headteacher) has the power to exclude a pupil from school.

The Headteacher may exclude a pupil for one or more fixed periods, for up to 45 days in any one school year. The Headteacher may also exclude a pupil permanently.

It is also possible for the head-teacher to convert a fixed-term exclusion into a permanent exclusion, if the circumstances warrant this. There is a strict WBC protocol for exclusions which must be adhered to. (See WBC Exclusion doc).

ALTERNATIVES TO EXCLUSION ~ if the Behaviour Flowchart has been exhausted

- 1. A number of options may be available to Headteacher/teacher in charge in response to a serious breach of behaviour policy:
 - a) **Restorative Justice**, which enables the child to redress the harm that has been done to a 'victim', and enables all parties with a stake in the outcome to participate fully in the process. This has been used successfully to resolve situations that could otherwise have resulted in exclusion. All the professionals need to be thoroughly involved in the process and this can only work with the consent of all parties; further information is available from the Youth Justice Board.
 - b) **Mediation** through a third party, usually a trained mediator, is another approach that may lead to a satisfactory outcome, particularly where there has been conflict between two parties, e.g. a pupil and a teacher, or two pupils;
 - c) **Internal Exclusion** which can be used to defuse situations that occur in schools that require a pupil to be removed from class but may not require removal from the school premises. The internal exclusion could be to a designated area within the school, with appropriate support and supervision,

or to another class on a temporary basis, and may continue during break periods. Internal exclusion should be for the shortest time possible and should be subject to review.

d) **Managed Move** to another school to enable the pupil to have a fresh start in a new school. The Headteacher may ask another head teacher to admit the pupil. This should only be done with the full knowledge and co-operation of all the parties involved, including the parents, governors and the LA, and in circumstances where it is in the best interests of the pupil concerned. In order fully to address the pupil's difficulties it may be helpful for schools within an area to have a protocol in place and to have a full support package in place for the pupil. Parents should never be pressured into removing their child from the school under threat of a permanent exclusion, nor should pupils' names be deleted from the school roll on disciplinary grounds unless the formal permanent exclusion procedures set out in statute and in this guidance have been adhered to or unless a managed move has been agreed by all the relevant parties.

Monitoring

The Headteacher and Senior Leadership Team will monitor behaviour logs (CPOMS) regularly but at least once a term) and record the number of incidents. They will look for patterns, triggers and trends and adjust the management of classrooms and outside spaces accordingly.

Significant behaviour incidents and the monitoring headlines will be reported to the governing body via the Headteacher's report.

Stringent records will be kept of any pupil who is suspended for a fixed term or who is permanently excluded following Wokingham Borough Council procedures and protocols.

Any racist or bullying incidents, including cyber-bullying, will be recorded and reported to the Governing Body.

Review

The governing body will review this policy every three years or if a significant change is required. The governors may, however, review the policy earlier that this if the government introduces new regulations, or if the governing body receives recommendations on how the policy might be improved.

Appendix One The Education Inspection Framework 2021 Behaviour and attitudes

Inspectors will make a judgement on behaviour and attitudes by evaluating the extent to which:

- the provider has high expectations for learners' behaviour and conduct and applies these expectations consistently and fairly. This is reflected in learners' behaviour and conduct
- learners' attitudes to their education or training are positive. They are committed to their learning, know how to study effectively and do so, are resilient to setbacks and take pride in their achievements
- learners have high attendance and are punctual
- relationships among learners and staff reflect a positive and respectful culture.
- leaders, teachers and learners create an environment where bullying, peeron-peer abuse or discrimination are not tolerated. If they do occur, staff deal with issues quickly and effectively, and do not allow them to spread

APPENDIX 2

Procedures and Guidelines for KS1 Lunchtime Controllers

Playground

The playground is divided up into different zones to allow for a variety of play experiences as well as to help control and supervise behaviour.

The roundabout and the 'astro-turfed' area by the fence is a quiet area where children can sit and chat, relax and enjoy a time away from the hustle and bustle of the other areas. The children are not allowed to be boisterous, chase each other or play roughly on these areas. The dressing up clothes, mats, books and board games can be used on the roundabout but in no other area of the playground.

The football pitch and surrounding area is timetabled and can only be used by the relevant year group on each day for football, basketball or other directed activities. Football is not to be played anywhere else in the playground.

The area between the roundabout and the front of the school is the 'Craze of the week' zone. Different equipment is timetabled to be used in this area each week. Please ensure the equipment is only used in this area and that the children use it appropriately and sensibly.

Children should not be allowed to hang or climb on the fence or gates of the Foundation Stage garden or the external fence surrounding the school. Be vigilant to ensure children are not engaging in conversations with passing adults on the Oxford Road.

The **large play apparatus area** must be carefully monitored at all times to ensure the safety of the children. Children should not use this area for chasing or boisterous play. When monitoring the apparatus please also monitor the external door leading to the Year Two corridor. Children should only enter school during lunch time if they have been given permission to do so.

The area of the playground **between the main gate and the large apparatus** is for general running around. Children should not be allowed to play on the ramp or railings outside Larch classroom or by the door leading to the Year Two corridor.

Seating

There are a number or picnic benches, toadstools and a wooden snake bench where children can sit. Children should be discouraged from climbing on or jumping over these.

A lunchtime controller should oversee the above areas.

Access to School

Children should not enter school unsupervised during lunch time unless it is to visit the toilet. Children need to ask permission before doing this and should go on their own, not in pairs or small groups. The door to the Year Two Corridor will be open during lunchtimes and playtimes for easy access but closed at all other times during the day.

Each class has a coloured jumper tub that can be brought into the playground at lunchtimes and placed on the train. This usually happens on warm days to allow children to put their jumpers somewhere safe instead of taking them back to the classroom.

First Aid

Minor injuries are to be dealt with outside on the **first aid bench by Larch classroom.** If possible, the person monitoring the gate should deal with these minor injuries. This will ensure the rest of the playground is being adequately supervised by the remaining lunchtime controllers.

All bumps to the head, nose bleeds and more serious injuries need to be brought to the attention of the Lunchtime Supervisor, or if necessary the school office and will be dealt with inside.

End of Lunchtime Procedures

The bell and class cards should be taken outside at the beginning of the lunch break. These can be used to bring in groups of children when it is time for their lunch sitting or if the whole school needs to be brought in early. The bell must be rung by an adult standing by the wooden train. The same adult will hold up the class cards, ensuring the children in all parts of the playground can see and hear what is going on.

At 1:00 p.m. the Year Two teachers will come into the playground to collect their classes. Please have the children lined up ready.

At 1:15 p.m. the Year One teachers will collect their classes.

There will then be time for the lunchtime controllers to clear the playground of equipment and feedback any first aid incidents to the class teachers.

Wet Play

If conditions are too wet or cold for the children to play outside then wet play time rules will apply. Each classroom has specific equipment that the children are allowed to play with and use during wet play times. If you are unsure what this equipment is please check with the class teacher. The children are generally not allowed to use scissors, glue sticks or sticky tape and there are usually special trays of writing and coloured pencils for wet play time use.

The Lunchtime Supervisor can provide colouring sheets, word searches etc. if needed so please ask.

If teachers are in agreement, then DVDs may be watched as long as they have a 'U' certificate.

Tidy up time is to be called at 12:50 p.m. for Year Two and 1:05 p.m. for Year One to allow adequate time for all resources to be cleared away and to get the children settled on the carpet ready for the return of the teacher and the start of the afternoon at 1:00 p.m. and 1:15 p.m. respectively.

Whistles should never be used to gain the attention of children inside or outside the school building.

Wet Conditions

There will be many occasions when children are playing outside after rain or during light rain. It is important that the children do not play on the large apparatus, the tyres or the train if they are wet and therefore slippery. The bins can be used to block access to the large apparatus and traffic cones should be placed on the train to show when these areas are out of bounds.

If there is a sudden down pour it is very important that the children are brought into school in a calm and controlled manner to avoid injury and panic.

Expectations for Behaviour at Walter Infant School

- Treat each other with respect
- Be kind and polite to everyone
- Tell the truth
- Look after the school and the things in it
- Move around school sensibly
- Always try your best

Sensible behaviour should be expected and encouraged at all times. Be particularly vigilant in the parts of the playground where problems can arise. These places are likely to be the **football/basketball pitch**, **roundabout**, **between the wigwam and the football pitch** and the **large apparatus** by the external door leading to the Year Two corridor.

Under no circumstances accept or ignore rude or defiant behaviour. If you feel a child has been deliberately rude to you, ask him/her to repeat what was said. This will give them the opportunity to retract their statement or apologise. All incidences should be reported to the Lunchtime Supervisor and to the child's class teacher as soon as possible.

The safety and well-being of all children is our paramount concern; please be vigilant at all times and maintain high expectations of behaviour. If a child is playing roughly, remind them of our expectations that there will be no rough play, if the rough play continues they will need to be directed to play elsewhere for a few minutes, for example five minutes if they are five years old. This 'time away' process will need to be monitored by the adult who puts it in place. If a child chooses not to change their behaviour speak firstly to the Lunchtime Supervisor to seek advice. Alternatively, if you feel the child needs to be more closely supervised, keep the child with you for the agreed period of time; the child should stay with you but do not hold their hand.

Holding hands with children is acceptable behaviour to offer comfort or company to a child, but not as a sanction.

Key phrases that will help if a child is making the wrong choices ...

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Appendix 3

Procedures and Guidelines for Foundation Stage Lunchtime Controllers

Outside Area

The outside area is divided up into different zones to allow for a variety of play experiences as well as to help control and supervise behaviour.

The **large play apparatus area** must be carefully monitored at all times to ensure the safety of the children. Children should not use this area for chasing or boisterous play. They should not take **any** equipment onto the platform areas, particularly **ropes**, **hoops** or **bucket stilts** as these items can pose a hanging risk.

When monitoring the apparatus please also monitor what is going on behind it. This is an area where children often choose to play roughly as well as the location of the climbing wall.

The soft surface area at the far end of the garden is for scooters and tricycles. Please ensure that these are not played on in other areas.

The children need to be monitored carefully in this area to ensure everyone's safety. Please encourage the children to ride/scoot safely, with an awareness of other children.

Encourage children to share and take turns to avoid arguments.

Planks, Crates, Tyres and Drainpipes

The children love to play with this apparatus; however, they need to be closely supervised. These items are heavy and can cause injury if not handled carefully. Ensure children are aware of others while moving these items.

Fences and Gates

Children should not be allowed to hang or climb on the fence or gates of the Foundation Stage outside area or the external fence surrounding the school. Be vigilant to ensure children are not engaging in conversations with passing adults on the Oxford Road.

Access to School

Children should not enter school unsupervised during lunch time unless it is to visit the toilet. Children need to ask permission before doing this and should go on their own, not in pairs or small groups.

Please ensure that a member of the lunchtime team is supervising this access into school and regularly patrolling throughout the inside areas. Any children found inside should be reminded to go back outside and not stay in an area where they are not being supervised or kept safe by an adult.

First Aid

Minor injuries are to be dealt with outside using the resources from the **first aid box** which should be kept on the sandpit. If possible, the person monitoring access

into school should deal with these injuries. This will ensure the rest of the outside area is being adequately supervised by the remaining lunchtime controllers.

All bumps to the head, nose bleeds and more serious injuries need to be brought to the attention of the Lunchtime Supervisor, or if necessary the school office and will be dealt with in the area outside the head teacher's office.

End of Lunchtime Procedures

Children should be encouraged to start tidying the outside area at 12:20 in preparation for returning to their inside areas. The children should be settled on the carpet, ready for the return of their teachers and the start of the afternoon at 12:30pm.

There will then be time for the lunchtime controllers to finish tidying the outside area, set up inside activities and feedback any first aid incidents to the class teachers.

Wet Play

If the Lunchtime Supervisor decides that conditions are too wet, windy or cold for the children to play outside then wet play time rules will apply. The children can access The Nest, Magpie and the art and craft area as long as there are enough adults to supervise. If only two adults are available then only two areas should be used. If you are unsure which equipment can be used, please check with the class teachers. The children are not allowed to use scissors, glue sticks or sticky tape during wet lunchtimes. There are special boxes of writing and coloured pencils for wet play time use.

The Lunchtime Supervisor can provide colouring sheets and plain etc. if needed so please ask.

If teachers are in agreement, then the interactive whiteboard in Magpie can be used to show films, as long as they have a 'U' certificate.

Tidy up time is to be called at 12:20 p.m. to allow adequate time for all resources to be cleared away and to get the children settled on the carpet ready for the return of their teachers and the start of the afternoon at 12:30 p.m.

Whistles should never be used to gain the attention of children inside or outside the school building.

Wet Conditions

There will be many occasions when children are playing outside after rain or during light rain. It is important that the children do not play on the large apparatus, the tyres or the wooden planks if they are wet and therefore slippery.

If there is a sudden down pour it is very important that the children are brought into school in a calm and controlled manner to avoid injury and panic.

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- Look after the school and the things in it
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Sensible behaviour should be expected and encouraged at all times. Be particularly vigilant in the parts of the playground where problems can arise. These places are likely to be the **soft surface area**, **behind the large apparatus** and **inside the building**, particularly the **toilets**.

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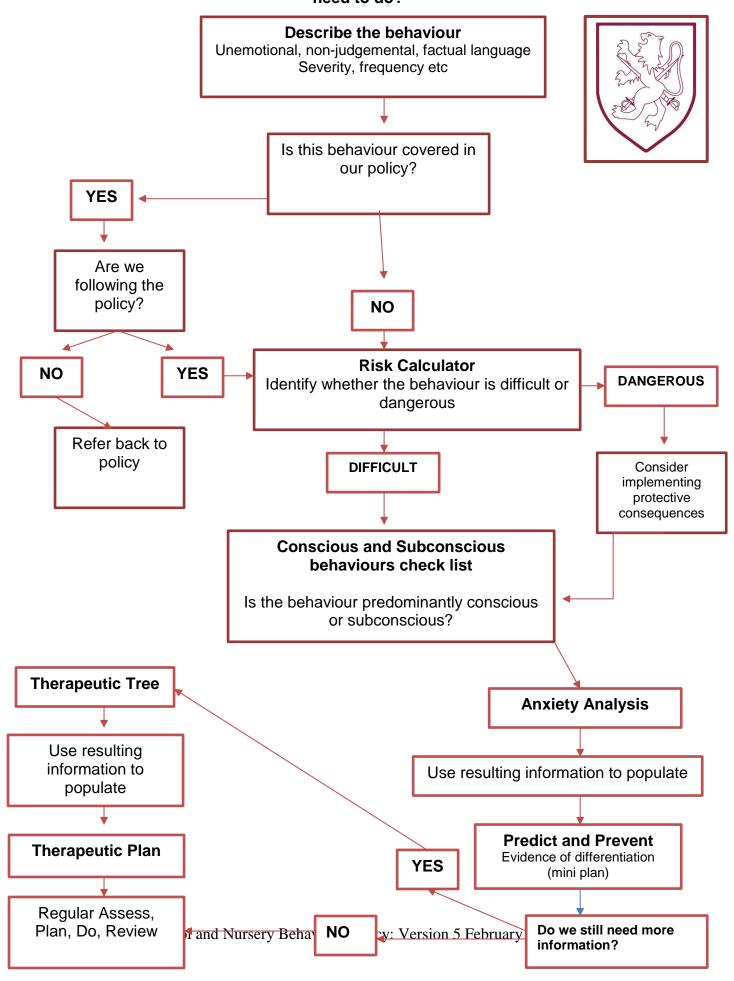
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Appendix 4: Risk Reduction Plan

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Name		DOB	Date	Review Date
Photo	Differentiated mea	asures.		
Pro social behaviours			Strategies to respond	
Anxiety behaviours (DIF			Strategies to respond	
Crisis behaviours (DAN			Strategies to respond	
Debrief Notes (refl	ect, repair and res	tore)		
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Appendix 5
Behaviour Flow Chart from Therapeutic Behaviour Strategies ~ what do we need to do?



Appendix 6: Predict/Prevent

Predict and Prevent



ore Staff/Location/Activity/Peer/Time	
Predict it	Evidence of Action Prevent it
These things overwhelm the pupil 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. These things run the risk of overwhelming the pupil	Planned Differentiation required to reduce anxiety 1. 2. 3. 4. 5. Monitoring needed
7. 8.	6. 7. 8.
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