

School Disciplinary Procedures

School Rules have been established in discussion with pupils to ensure the peaceful conduct of lessons and safe movement for all about the school buildings and yards. The aim of the disciplinary procedures with the school is to encourage pupils to accept responsibility for their own conduct and to appreciate that disorderly or disruptive behaviour works to the detriment of the entire school community. Where indiscipline occurs the sanctions imposed will reflect the gravity and, in some cases, the frequency of the offence. Additional work set by the teacher or an essay of a specific length to direct the child's mind towards their conduct are the most frequent forms of sanction.

In cases of repeated minor indiscipline, referral is normally made to the Principal Teacher of Guidance who will notify parents that their child's behaviour is unsatisfactory. It is the policy of the school that parents, upon whom ultimate responsibility for their child's behaviour rests, be notified at the earliest signs of an emerging disciplinary problem and their positive help is sought by the school. Monitoring reports are used to focus the child's mind on his/her behaviour and as a means of informing parents of behaviour. More serious cases of indiscipline may be referred to the Depute Head Teacher who may monitor behaviour on a daily basis. Where a major incident occurs a pupil may be excluded from school and a written guarantee as to his/her future conduct sought from parents. Further periods of exclusion may result in the Director of Community Services becoming involved. The need for parental co-operation is essential. (Current School Code of Conduct can be viewed by clicking on the link below).

Code of Conduct