

## **St Thomas CE School Behaviour Policy**

At St.Thomas' School we aim to create a learning environment where the children, staff and parents buy into a code of practice where self-discipline is promoted and respect for others is encouraged at all times. We want the children to feel nurtured and safe at school and confident enough to be able to share any worries or concerns with staff members.

The Christian ethos of the school helps us all to appreciate each other's strengths but also to help each other overcome individual problems. We aim to provide a caring environment where Christian values are celebrated and promoted.

### **Whole-School Community Responsibilities**

We all aim to make decisions about our behaviour that are:

- Respectful - we strive to respect ourselves and others. Our attitude and behaviour is courteous and polite. We greet each other with respect, we hold open doors, offer to help, lend resources and go out of our way to look out for each other.
- Honest - we tell the truth. When we have made a poor choice, we will admit what we have done. We value being truthful.
- Trustworthy - our actions mean that others trust us. By what we do, they can see that we are worthy of their trust.
- Tolerant - We see differences as something to be celebrated and welcomed. If something causes us distress, we first look to see if it's us that has the problem. We accept that people have important views and opinions that may be different to ours.

### **We all have off days.**

When this happens, we will be given a reminder to review our choices and if necessary, the opportunity to discuss what might have been a better way.

We recognise that it's good to talk and sometimes discussing an issue can help move us all on. Sometimes the discussion is with another pupil, sometimes with another member of staff.

If we need more support to reflect on our choices, our parents may be involved.

*'Kind words are like honey— sweet to the soul and healthy for the body.'*

Proverbs 16:24

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