

Annex to Behaviour Policy. May 2020

From March 2020, the global Covid-19 pandemic has led to a change in how we define some of our children's behaviours in school and our assessment as to whether these are difficult or dangerous, particularly where a child or young person's behaviours could cause an increased risk to their own health or the health of others. Examples of this might include (but are not limited to):

- spitting
- repeated disregard of social distancing rules
- not staying in their class bubble

We will work together with the child, parents/carers to carry out a risk assessment which will explore whether a child can manage in the school environment, under current circumstances. In exceptional circumstances, the outcomes of the risk assessment may mean we are unable to offer a place in school, at this time. If a child is unable to manage within the safety rules to minimize Covid-19 risk, then an offer of a school place may be removed until a new plan and phased return can be implemented that ensures the current guidance can be adhered to. In all cases, the child's Risk Assessment and plan will be regularly reviewed and the school will work with the family to ensure support to the child is provided in other ways, through reasonable endeavours.

This policy has been remotely approved by Governors on 31.5.20 and is available on the school website at <http://www.stmichaelschurchschool.co.uk/key-information/policies>