## Vernon Park Primary School

## **Exclusion Policy**

At Vernon Park Primary School, we follow the statutory exclusion guidance issued by the Department for Education (DfE) when making decisions regarding exclusion from school and carrying out the exclusion process.

The current version of the DfE exclusion guidance 'Exclusion from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units in England: Statutory guidance for those with legal responsibilities in relation to exclusion' can be found on the school exclusion page of the Gov.uk website: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusion">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusion</a>

All maintained schools in England must have regard to this guidance when carrying out their functions in relation to exclusions. The phrase 'must have regard', when used in this context, means that everyone involved in the exclusion process at Vernon Park Primary School will follow the sections of statutory guidance unless there is a good reason not to in a particular case, in which case the reason must be justified.

Our overall approach to exclusions at Vernon Park Primary School is set out in the Behaviour and Relationships Policy. A copy of which can be found on the School Website.

This exclusion policy will be reviewed annually and with any published changes to the statutory DfE exclusion guidance.

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