

Beechen Cliff School Rules (Years 7-11)

Our school vision is to enable our pupils and students to achieve their aspirations and become well-rounded, confident and compassionate individuals who go on to live fulfilled lives and make a positive contribution to society.

We aim to develop pupils' character by developing their understanding of the school's Core Values of aspiration, compassion, independence and respect. We aim for pupils to fully embrace and live out these values which are best summarised by the following slogans:

Independence: Be ready

Aspiration: Be your best

Compassion: Be kind

Respect: Show respect

The school rules are based around enabling us to achieve our vision for our pupils and the 'living out' of these Core Values. At all times pupils are expected to behave in a reasonable and responsible manner having full consideration for others including other pupils, staff and members of the public.

Uniform/Dress Code

- Pupils must wear full school uniform. Trainers, hoodies and branded jumpers are not permitted.
- Blazers must be worn in tutor time/assembly and when entering/exiting classrooms. With the permission of the class teacher they may be removed in the classroom and placed on the back of the chair.
- Coats may be worn when moving between lessons but not in place of a blazer.
- Hats must not be worn and/or coat hoods up whilst inside school buildings.
- Pupil's hair must be cut at a Grade 2 or above. It must be a single, naturally-occurring colour. Extreme hairstyles, tramlines or other shaved patterns or designs are not permitted.
- Top buttons should be done up, ties pulled up and shirts tucked in.
- Beechen Cliff PE/Games kit must be worn for PE/Games lessons.
- Jewellery (including necklaces, rings or bracelets) must not be worn in school. Pupils may wear a single plain stud earring per ear. Any other piercing required for cultural or religious reasons must be covered by plasters.

Equipment

- Pupils must have a school bag suitable to carry A4 books, a pencil case and water bottle.
- Pupils must have a pencil case with them with all their equipment (black pens, purple pen, ruler, calculator etc.) with them every day.
- Pupils must have their Pupil Handbook (previously called Pupil Planner) and reading book with them every day.
- Mobile phones may not be used in school. The School and Trust Policy must be followed at all times including use of pouches. They must not be taken into an examination room.
- Pupils are encouraged to bring water bottles to school.

Around the School

- Pupils should walk around the school sensibly and must not be a threat to the safety of themselves or others. They must keep left when moving along the corridors.
- Pupils must use the designated areas only e.g. yards/school field/tennis courts at breaktimes and lunchtimes. Everywhere else is deemed 'out of bounds'.
- Entering the wrong toilets is deemed 'out of bounds'.
- All play during breaktimes and lunchtimes must not put pupils' safety at risk. Games are played in accordance with the rules of that sport.
- Pupils are not permitted to engage in physical interactions that could lead to an escalation in physicality. We do not tolerate 'play fighting'.
- Pupils must stay on site during the school day. Pupils may only leave the school site with staff permission and they must sign out before going.
- Pupils look after all property and respect other people's property. They must use the litter bins and recycling bins provided to keep the site clean and tidy.
- Pupils are not permitted to participate in gambling, or bring articles onto the School site for the purpose of buying and/or selling.
- Pupils are not permitted to bring dangerous objects or illegal substances (such as cigarettes, vapes and alcohol) into school. Nor should these items be used or consumed before or during school time.
- No medication should be brought into school without the School's prior knowledge and approval.

In the Classroom:

- Pupils should arrive on time for lessons.
- Pupils must enter the classroom wearing their blazer.
- Pupils should sit quietly in their designated seat, put their pencil case, planner and reading book on the desk in front of them and place their bag under the desk.
- Pupils should sit up in their seat. When a teacher or pupil is talking to the class, the rest of the class is silent and listens attentively.
- Pupils raise their hand and wait until the teacher is able to respond if they have a question or wish to contribute to the lesson.
- All pupils follow all reasonable instructions of staff at all times
- All pupils must try their best and ensure their behaviour allows others to learn too - remember :

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In the Refectory:

- Pupils should queue quietly and respectfully in a single file wearing the correct uniform.
- Pupils should eat and drink at the tables and return trays with plates, cutlery and cups to the collection points. Litter should be put in the bin. Tables should be left clean and tidy.
- Packed lunches/snacks can be eaten in the Refectory, picnic sites or designated areas but not in classrooms or corridors.

To and from School:

- Pupils behave in line with these school rules when travelling to and from school.
- Pupils wear the school uniform with pride when travelling to and from school.
- Pupils are encouraged to cycle to school and use our cycle storage facility. Pupils must make sure that their bikes are locked properly and that they wear a helmet. Scooters and skateboards are not permitted.
- Pupils must take extra care when crossing roads or getting on or off buses and always make use of pedestrian crossings.
- Pupils must not act in a manner that could be considered offensive, dangerous or damaging to the reputation of Beechen Cliff.

School Trips, Visits and Fixtures

- Pupils behave in line with these school rules when taking part in school trips, visits or fixtures.
- Pupils should make themselves available for selection for school teams and fixtures if required.
- Pupils should represent the school with pride.
- Pupils should uphold the school Core Values at all times.

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