



HORRIS HILL GOOD BEHAVIOUR & SANCTIONS POLICY (PUPIL VERSION)

Horris Hill recognises the need to promote among its pupils self-discipline and a proper regard for authority. Good behaviour is encouraged as well as respect for other people and their property.

Encouragement, praise and acknowledgement of good pupil behaviour is seen as an essential part in maintaining a happy school in which all pupils are expected to exercise common sense at all times.

Rewards and Responsibilities

- Plus marks are awarded for good behaviour and recorded in the pupil Prep Books. Public acknowledgement is given in assemblies. A score is also given towards the individual's team.
- Good academic discipline can also be rewarded by a plus mark given by the teacher concerned. These are recorded in the pupil Prep Books. Academic Effort Award Certificates are also given in assemblies.
- Consistently good citizenship can be rewarded by the giving of positions of responsibility and trust. These include positions such as: Monitors, Heads of Colour, Form Captains, Rest Monitors etc.

The Monitors and Heads of Colour are the most senior positions and carry with them the greatest challenge. These pupils have the reward of extra sweets once a week.

Sanctions

Ideally, sanctions that are given should fit the offence. Significant offences are recorded on the school system. More minor ones are recorded in individual Tutor files.

Typical sanctions include :

- Removal from the group
- Withdrawal from a school trip, activity or sporting event that is not integral to the curriculum
- Carrying out a useful task for the community
- Withdrawal of privileges
- Removal of free time

Rules

The overriding rule is that boys should act with common sense and consideration for others at all times. Beyond this there are more specific rules regarding :

- **Bounds.** The following areas are out of bounds : The Kitchen area. The fire escapes - except in emergencies. The rubbish tip. The private gardens of all houses and the area around Slap Pond Cottage. Trees - no climbing of trees is permitted. Specialist areas have their own Rules on display : Swimming Pool, Computer Room, Science Laboratory. Technology Room, Library, Woods
- The following are banned : money, matches, lighters, aerosol sprays, sweets from home, computer/console games, iPods (or similar) with video/internet capability, knives, mobile phones and any form of gun/weapon. The fact that something a pupil has brought back is not on the list does not mean that it is necessarily permitted. Common sense must prevail, eg all medicines must be kept with the school sister.
- Damage to property must be reported at once to the master on duty or to the pupil's tutor. Swapping must have the approval of both pupil's tutor. We are a 'No Borrowing' school.
- Places and times when everyone should be quiet are : classrooms, preps and reading periods, entering and leaving Chapel, leaving meals and the library.

Searching of Pupils/Property

The school has the right to search a pupil or his property if there is a reasonable suspicion that a serious breach of school rules has occurred.

Restraint

Horris Hill has a policy that allows for the use of reasonable physical intervention to prevent injury or serious damage to property. All incidents will be recorded by the school.