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## **Torpoint Nursery and Infant School Exclusion of Pupils Policy 2017-2018**

### **The purpose**

This policy deals with the practice and protocols which inform the school use of exclusion and will be implemented in line with guidance from Cornwall local authority and the Department for Education.

### **Key documents and regulations**

Exclusion from maintained schools, academies and pupil referral units in England Statutory guidance for those with legal responsibilities in relation to exclusion- September 2017

This policy is underpinned by the shared commitment of all members of the school community. Our aim is to ensure the safety and well-being of all members of the school community and to maintain an appropriate educational environment in which all can learn and succeed

### **Method of achievement**

The decision to exclude pupils will be taken in the following circumstances:

- in response to a persistent breach or persistent breaches of the schools behaviour policy and classroom rules and
- where allowing the pupil to remain in school would seriously harm the education and/or the emotional welfare of the people or others in the school

Exclusion is an extreme sanction and is only administered by the Headteacher or in the absence of the Headteacher the member of the Leadership Team acting in that role.

Exclusion, whether fixed term or permanent, may be used for any of the following which constitute examples of unacceptable conduct and are infringements of the behaviour policy (which includes classroom rules):

- Physical assault against another pupil
- Physical assault against an adult
- Verbal abuse of threatening or aggressive behaviour against pupil
- Verbal abuse and threatening or aggressive behaviour against an adult
- Bullying
- Racist abuse
- Deliberate vandalism
- Persistent disruptive behaviour which previously been reported and which school sanctions and other supportive interventions have failed to modify.

If an exclusion take place, either fixed term or permanent, then the Headteacher, Governing Body and school staff will follow all guidance from the DFE and the Local Authority.

Reference must be made to their documents.

The school will , if appropriate, inform the child that he/she will no longer be attending our school so that appropriate "goodbyes" can be said .

If appropriate or required the school will arrange counselling for the staff involved with the excluded child.