



## Helsby High School Behaviour Principles Written Statement

### Introduction

Section 88 of the Education and Inspections Act 2006 requires governing bodies of maintained schools to have regard to the statutory guidance from the Secretary of State for Education in producing and regularly reviewing a written statement of behaviour principles.

This written statement sets out the general principles to guide the Headteacher in determining measures to promote good behaviour and discipline amongst pupils.

The Governing Body of Helsby High School is committed to ensuring that the school promotes a positive culture where every student can learn, feel safe and thrive. This statement will be reviewed regularly to take account of any legislative or other changes that may affect the content or relevance. In deciding these Behaviour Principles, the governors and school leaders work together to ensure that they are both relevant and appropriate for the standard of behaviour expected at Helsby High School.

The Governing Body strongly believes that high standards of behaviour lie at the heart of a successful school, where young people achieve success across a variety of disciplines. High standards of behaviour are demonstrated by all in the school community valuing others by showing tolerance and respect and demonstrating resilience and empathy.

The Governing Body wants all members of the school community to be part of and contribute to an inclusive and safe school environment.

All students and staff have the right to feel safe at all times whilst in school. There should be mutual respect between staff and pupils; pupils and their peers; staff and their colleagues; and between staff and parents or other visitors to the school.

The Governing Body want all members of the school community to *appreciate and embrace diversity*. All members of the school community must be aware that bullying or harassment of any kind, including that relating to sexual orientation, race, disability, sexual orientation and religion or beliefs, is absolutely unacceptable. All instances will be robustly challenged and addressed with appropriate and proportionate action.

The Governing Body expects the school to make reasonable adjustments to ensure that all students can meet the behaviour expectations of the school.

The Governing Body wants all students to be active members of our school and local community, supporting others and working in a co-operatively in lessons, outside of lessons and within the wider community.

The Governing Body believes these principles provide a clear foundation for maintaining high standards of behaviour and supporting a positive, inclusive school community.