



BEHAVIOUR POLICY

The purpose of this policy is to encourage the development of sensible and socially acceptable behaviour. These expectations and rules are designed to cover situations in the daily life of the school. Pupils are expected to follow these and act upon what staff tell them to do at all times.

At the **British School of Lanzarote** we believe that everyone has certain rights:

- The right to learn;
- The right to be listened to;
- The right to be respected;
- The right to a safe and pleasant environment.

To make sure everyone is able to enjoy these rights it is necessary for everyone to accept responsibility for their own behaviour.

We must:

- Respect ourselves and each other;
- Respect everyone's right to learn;
- Accept responsibility for our surroundings and the property of others;
- Be punctual and prepared for lessons;
- Behave in a socially acceptable way.

Behaviour – general principles for pupils at B.S.L.: to encourage sensible and socially acceptable behaviour for the benefit of the school community.

- Act with courtesy and consideration at all times;
- Be polite – there is no excuse for rudeness or disrespect to anyone, ever;
- Bullying, in any form, fighting or rough play is not tolerated;
- Movement around the school must be in an orderly and sensible manner – others are at work – keeping to the left when possible and in single file;
- Keep the school clean and tidy. Put litter in the bins.

General Expectations/Rules

- Pupils are expected to wear school uniform and be smart at all times. Only watches and one pair of earrings are allowed and no make-up should be worn. Boy's hair must be kept short. Hair colour must be within the natural range.
- English should be spoken, except in Spanish lessons and at break times;
- Pupils are not permitted to enter any room in school or to leave school without permission.
- Eating must be confined to the dining room, designated lunch room and patio areas at break times (all rubbish must be placed in the bins or taken home). Chewing gum, nuts, sweets and canned drinks (including high energy drinks) are not permitted.
- No more than one toy is permissible, but at the owners risk. No mobile phones, radios, I-pods, CD players, electronic games or dangerous items are permitted unless permission has been granted.
- Laptops and Tablets may be used in school with the teacher's permission, but no responsibility is taken by the school for their safe keeping.

Classroom Expectations

Pupils are here to learn. The class teacher is responsible for implanting the school expectations :

- Work hard at all times and to the best of your ability;
- Be punctual for lessons and complete homework on time;
- Be prepared for lessons by bringing what is required i.e. the right books, equipment, kit etc;
- Do not pack away or leave the classroom until your teacher tells you to;
- Keep the classrooms and school in general tidy.

Rewards and Sanctions

A range of appropriate rewards are used to encourage good work and behaviour throughout the school. For example, stickers, stamps, golden time, commendations, subject postcards. The penultimate of these is a sticker, certificate or letter from the Headteacher (see Effort and Progress Awards). Each term, letters are sent home to commend good progress and effort in specific subjects or areas.

A range of sanctions are also used throughout the school. These include time-out, loss of special privileges and break or lunchtime detentions. The Homework Diaries are used to log incidences and inform parents.

In habitual and/or extreme cases the following procedures are applied:

- The Key Stage Coordinator will interview the pupil, and the Headteacher will be involved as the next step;
- The parents will be requested to attend a meeting.
- If appropriate, fixed term report or contract, which is agreed with the head and parents;
- Temporary suspension from school (at the discretion of the head and board of governors);
- Permanent exclusion from the school for serious, habitual unacceptable behaviour or extreme unacceptable behaviour.

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