

ST ELIZABETH'S EXCLUSION POLICY

St Elizabeths Catholic Primary School operates a comprehensive inclusive system where all children are welcome regardless of their race, religion, culture, sex, ability or disability, social background etc.

There are however certain occasions when it may be necessary to ask a parent to not bring their child to school for a short period of time. These reasons include:

- If a child is ill
- If a child has a highly infectious condition such as impetigo or conjunctivitis
- If the child has a notifiable disease
- If a child has had a bout of sickness or diarrhoea within the last 48 hours
- If a child is on antibiotics that they haven't taken before and it is within the first 3 days of the course (in case of an allergic reaction)
- If in the opinion of the headteacher a child may be in danger by being in school with a certain condition - broken bones - deep wounds etc.

Other types of exclusion include temporary or permanent. Temporary exclusions are for a limited time period, a half or full day. If behaviour which triggered the exclusion continues then the exclusion will be extended.

This is in line with Derbyshire LA policy.

Reasons for exclusions may be:

- if a child continually demonstrates aggressive/violent behaviour to other children or staff.
- if a child continually uses inappropriate language (swearing)
- if a child continually makes inappropriate remarks, such as racist comments
- if a child continually puts themselves in danger
- if a child is likely to cause harm to other children.

For temporary and permanent exclusions a form is completed online (Derbyshire LA) and sent to the parent of the excluded child.

The school's concerns will be discussed with parents in an attempt to do everything possible to avoid exclusions. We also recognise the difficulties children from different backgrounds and SEN have. Governors would only exclude a child if their behaviour was very severe and having a continued negative impact on the children and staff.

St Elizabeth's School have not permanently excluded any pupils in the past 10 years. (July 2017)