



Alternative Exclusion Information

The information below is intended as a guide to support those parents/carers who have children who have received an alternative exclusion.

Rational for Alternative Exclusion

Exclusions are always a last resort for pupils who have seriously or significantly broken the School's Behaviour Policy. Alternative exclusion provides an alternative to fixed term exclusion (where a student is required, by law, to remain at home or in a non-public place). Alternative exclusion involves the placement of a student in an alternative school setting and is based on a shared/reciprocal agreement between a cluster of local schools. This arrangement means that students still attend a school setting and receive support/supervision whilst working on independent learning tasks. Alternative exclusion is seen as a stage before the need to issue a fixed term exclusion.

How does Alternative Exclusion work?

If Alternative Exclusion is appropriate then the pupil will spend a day or number of days attending another named school; likely to be Trafalgar School, Castle View Academy or Admiral Lord Nelson School. The Host school will house the excluded pupil in their Inclusion facilities or their Alternative Provision area.

Practical Arrangements for Alternative Exclusion

- Springfield School will contact the Host school by 4pm the day before the Alternative Exclusion provision starts.
- Springfield School will ensure that the contact details, and any relevant medical or health information for the excluded pupil are with the host school before the arrival of pupil on their first day. Work will also be provided. This will be paper based, as it is not always possible for the host school to provide ICT facilities (please note that parents/carers are responsible for ensuring that any medication is taken with their child to the host school)
- Parents are responsible for transport to and from the named host school and the pupil should arrive at 9am and report to reception. The Alternative Exclusion will end at 2:30pm
- The host school will notify Springfield if the pupil does not arrive by the designated time, and a parent will then be notified.
- During the Alternative Exclusion, the pupil will be supervised at all times.
- If the excluded pupil is entitled to Free School Meals (FSM), the host school will be notified and will provide a meal.
- The host school will contact the excluding school immediately if the behaviour of the excluded pupil is in any way inappropriate. The pupil will return to Springfield School or be sent home (in agreement with parents) and it is likely that a fixed term exclusion will be put in place.

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