



ABINGDON

Discipline and Exclusions Policy

Discipline

Abingdon School expects a high Standard of behaviour from all its pupils.

There are two School Rules that underpin the School's Disciplinary Policy:

1. Members of the School must obey the laws of the land. Any form of law breaking, wherever committed, may endanger a boy's place in the School.
2. Members of the School are expected to conduct themselves in accordance with common sense and the conventions of good behaviour. Conduct likely to bring the School into disrepute may attract disciplinary action.

In addition, there are a number of regulations, that are reviewed annually and that are listed in the pupils' prep diaries.

Infringements of rules and regulations will invite appropriate and reasonable admonishment and punishment in proportion to the offence. Sanctions are reviewed annually and are itemised in Behaviour, Rewards and Sanctions Policy on the website for both Senior and Lower School sections. There is a graded range of punishments from 'copies' to suspensions or even exclusion.

No pupil may directly discipline another without involvement of staff. The Governors review disciplinary procedures annually and request information on serious sanctions three times a year through the Head's report.

In addition to sanctions the School has a complementary series of rewards to encourage common sense and good behaviour to prevail.

Exclusion

Abingdon School reserves the right to exclude, either permanently or temporarily, any pupil who disobeys rules that are regarded as serious by the Head, such as the taking or possession of illegal drugs, theft of School or personal property or repeated bullying behaviour. A pupil will also be excluded if, in the opinion of the Head, he has transgressed so much that his position in the School becomes untenable. When making her decision, the Head will take into account such factors as the pupil's welfare and also the welfare of the community as a whole. The Head will inform the Chairman of Governors of permanent or temporary exclusions. Every boy or parent has a right of appeal against such decisions. The appeal procedure is laid out in the Complaints Procedure on the website.