

MARUS BRIDGE PRIMARY SCHOOL



EXCLUSION POLICY

REVIEWED AT THE

**MEETING OF THE
STAFFING & CURRICULUM
COMMITTEE**

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CHAIR OF COMMITTEE: Jason Taylor

HEADTEACHER: Mr. Gaskill

To be reviewed every two years.

Exclusion

Exclusion of a child would only be considered as a last resort after other strategies have failed, or that by allowing a child to remain in school would be seriously detrimental to the education or welfare of the pupil, or to that of others at the school. There are two types of exclusion-fixed term, which is temporary exclusion, and permanent exclusion.

Only the head teacher or DHTs have the power to exclude a child from school. They may exclude a child for one or more fixed period days and up to 45 days in any one school year. In extreme and exceptional circumstances, the head teacher may exclude a child permanently. It is also possible for the head teacher to convert fixed-term exclusion into a permanent exclusion, if circumstances warrant this.

If the Headteacher excludes a child they inform the parents/guardians immediately, giving reasons for the exclusion. At the same time, the head teacher makes it clear to the parents that they can, if they wish, appeal against the decision to the governing body. The school informs the parents how to make any such appeal. The Headteacher must put the details of the exclusion in writing within 24hours.

The Headteacher informs the governing body about any permanent exclusion, and about any fixed-term exclusions beyond five days in any one term.

The governing body itself cannot either exclude a child or extend the exclusion period made by the head teacher.

Students on return from a fixed term exclusion can be placed in isolation away from other students for a limited period. This is usually outside the Headteachers office. Any child who is placed in isolation is under constant observation by an appropriately qualified person and if assistance is required someone, usually the Headteacher or a member of SLT is available.