



## Fishermoss School Golden Rules Policy

One of our main approaches to promoting Positive Relationships & Behaviour is the use of the **Golden Rules** by the Whole School. These are displayed throughout key areas such as the main entrance, classrooms, dining hall and playground. A copy of the Golden Rules can also be found in every pupils' homework diary. Golden Rules Parental Agreement should be discussed between Parent/Carer and Child and signed and dated by both parties at home. See appendix 1. Additional signatures and date should be added for second year in P4/5 and P6/7 diaries.

- Fishermoss Nursery introduce the Golden Rules to our pupils.
- Pupils revisit the Golden Rules at Assembly at the start of the new School Session.
- The Golden Rules are regularly referred to in Assembly with the Golden Book, in Class, the Dining Hall, the Playground and on School Trips.
- The Senior Leadership Team share the Golden Rules with new families. The Golden Rules also appear in the School Handbook and Website.
- Golden Time is an activity session to celebrate keeping the Golden Rules. Every pupil has 30 minutes Golden Time allocated at the start of each week.
- Golden Time charts can be displayed in any form, or not at all, but must be 6 x 5 minutes.
- If Pupils break the Golden Rules they risk losing Golden Time. Pupils should be given 2 warnings before they lose Golden Time.

Warning 1=Identify for the pupil the unacceptable action/behaviour.

Warning 2=Reflection/discussion of action/behaviour.

Loss of Golden Time = Pupil loses in 5-minute increments.

Certain unacceptable behaviour may lead to instant loss of Golden Time with no warnings.

- Golden time can only be lost. It cannot be earned back.
- A Class List is used by each class teacher to note pupils who have lost Golden Time.
- At the start of the new school session arrangements are made by class teachers for pupils to create an individual leaf with their photo.
- A Golden Assembly is held at the start of Terms 2, 3 & 4, and also at the end of term 4, for pupils who have not lost Golden Time from the previous term. Pupils are recognised and congratulated for their achievement. Class teachers will arrange for these pupils to have their leaf attached to the branch for their class.
- At the end of Term 4, pupils who have not lost any Golden Time for the full academic year will be rewarded with a certificate at our Golden Assembly. Their name will appear on the School Roll of Honour. Previous Rolls of Honour are kept in a folder at the front of the school for reference.
- At the end of Term 1, the Senior Leadership Team will make arrangements for the leaves from the previous year to be removed and will allocate branches to classes.
- If a pupil loses all their Golden Time a note should be sent home in their diary to inform parents. Parents will be asked to sign this to acknowledge they are aware.
- In exceptional circumstances Golden Time does not always work and alternatives will be looked at.