## Governors' written statement of behaviour principles

The Governors of Little Hayes and Speedwell Nursery Schools Federation have agreed the following principles to inform the behaviour policy of the schools:

- Our approach to behaviour will be grounded in a sound knowledge and understanding of child development and on realistic expectations of young children.
- All adults are role models and guides to support children in learning how to behave.
- Positive behaviour develops from strong nurturing positive relationships and through rich learning experiences.
- Parents/carers should be supported to encourage positive behaviour and use effective behaviour management strategies in the home, should they wish to do so.
- Children should be listened to through their behaviour and through their own voice.
- Any disclosures children may make should be valued and acted on.
- All children should be helped to learn to guide and manage their own behaviour and identify and articulate their emotions.
- Our approach to behaviour should be consistent with equal opportunities, inclusion and anti-discriminatory practice.

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