



Wren Spinney Community Special School

Exclusion Statement

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Exclusion from Wren Spinney School, both fixed term and permanent, is extremely rare and will only be considered when a whole range of measures have been tried and proved unsuccessful.

This is because we understand that difficult behaviour is almost always a communication of unmet need which the student is unable to make in a more acceptable way. We will take all reasonable steps and make adjustments to identify causes, address needs and intervene early, using a multi-professional approach to ensure continued learning within the school environment.

Exclusion will only be used as a last resort where all avenues have been properly explored, additional advice sought and where continuing to accept the student at school would harm the education of others.

If a student is given a fixed term or permanent exclusion, the school will take all reasonable steps to ensure continuity of learning while alternative provision is put in place.

Any decision to exclude must be lawful, reasonable and fair. We will not discriminate on the basis of any protected characteristic such as race or disability. Inclusion remains at the heart of our provision.

Where a decision to exclude is taken and disputed by a parent/carer, the Trustees will meet to hear all evidence and decide whether to uphold or overturn.

Where a decision is upheld and the parent/carer still disputes it, they may refer to an Independent Review Panel.