High Expectations Framework

At ISH, we are committed to ensuring the management of all students is consistent, fair and equitable. This results in greater time on task and ensures learning outcomes are maximised. As part of this ongoing process, students are explicitly taught and reinforced for demonstrating our school-wide expectations of Respect and Responsibility.

ISH utilises a research-based, school-wide expectations framework to manage behaviour and support students to succeed in their learning. This framework is called ‘Zones of Behaviour’. Each Zone represents a range of behaviours which result in predictable, consistent management from staff.

ISH Zones of Behaviour Classroom Chart:
@ISH our student behaviour zones are:

- **Green Zone: Switched On! Working and Learning.** In this zone, students are demonstrating our school-wide expectations of Respect and Responsibility (as per our Expectations Matrix) and will be positively reinforced for displaying these behaviours.

- **Blue Zone: Stop, Think and Choose.** In this zone, students may be off task, or have shown a lack of regard for expectations in either the classroom, school grounds or the community. Students will be retaught the expectations and redirected back to learning. The purpose of these actions is to encourage students to return to the Green Zone to continue with productive learning.

- **Yellow Zone: Return to Learning.** In this zone, students are refusing to engage with the learning or expectations of the school environment. Staff actions may involve the use of the ‘Return to Learning’ Card (in a classroom environment) which acts as a visual prompt to encourage students to reflect on their behaviour. Staff actions also involve the setting of limits which gives the student reasonable choices with consequences. The purpose of these actions is to encourage students to self-regulate their behaviour and return to the Green Zone to continue with their learning.

- **Beige Zone: Buddy Class.** In this zone, students have continually refused to comply with classroom/school expectations and are disrupting the teaching and learning process. To ensure learning can continue, students are required to attend a Buddy Class for the remainder of that lesson. Students are required to leave their bags in the classroom, complete set work in their Buddy Classroom and return to their classroom teacher before the end of the lesson to have a restorative discussion about their behaviour. This is to ensure that learning can continue for all students.

- **Orange Zone: Faculty HOD/HOSES/Student Welfare Faculty.** In this zone, students have chosen not to engage in staff directed intervention processes and have been referred to a Head of Department, HOSES or Student Welfare Faculty. This occurs when a major behaviour or the students’ ongoing behaviour is disrupting the teaching and learning process within the classroom.

- **Red Zone: Principal/Associate Principal/Deputy Principal.** In this zone, students have chosen to engage in behaviours that are considered major breaches of the ‘ISHS Responsible Behaviour Plan for Students’ and will be actioned by school administration. The teaching and learning process is unable to continue and behaviours exhibited may be considered unsafe or unacceptable.

At the beginning of each term, all students are explicitly retaught the classroom Zones, including behaviours and expected staff responses. Zone posters are displayed in every classroom and school building for students and staff to refer to as required. Students also have a Zones support document in their diary as an immediate reference guide.

In order to support all students and staff in the teaching and learning process, the following Administration actions are in place:

- Major behaviours including swearing at a teacher, not following a staff members reasonable instructions (including refusing to hand a mobile phone into Student Services when directed and/or walking out of a classroom without permission) will result in an automatic HOD/HOSES/Administration referral and probable short suspension.

- Buddy Class behaviours including refusing to go to Buddy class, refusing to leave their bag in the classroom, not going to their directed Buddy class and/or refusing to return to their classroom to discuss their behaviour with their teacher before the end of the lesson will also result in an automatic HOD/HOSES/Administration referral and probable short suspension.

- These actions are in direct support of the Ipswich SHS Responsible Behaviour Plan.

To support our High Expectations Framework, ISH utilises a SWITCH Point reinforcement system. Reinforcing our key expectations of Respect and Responsibility provides students with positive feedback, encouragement and motivation to continue engaging in expected behaviours within the classroom, playground and wider community. This in turn results in greater time on task and an increased engagement in learning activities.

Staff reinforce students’ positive behaviour @ISH with SWITCH points through the use of an electronic reward system called VIVO. This system allows students to track their SWITCH points, monitor who they received points from, and what the points were awarded for. Students can also save and redeem their SWITCH points for any of the reward items that are available from the online catalogue in the VIVO Shop. Once ordered, the rewards are delivered to your student at school.

Importantly, this updated system gives parents/carers the ability to monitor and check their student’s SWITCH point progress. Parents/carers can log on at www.vivoclass.com.au or download the VIVO App (for Android and iPhones). Log in details are provided following enrolment.

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