COVID-19 wider opening Exclusion Statement

This statement will remain in place temporarily in response to the current Covid- 19 pandemic. The statement may be amended on receiving any further guidance from the Department for Education or local authority.

School Name: **Linchfield Community Primary School**
Policy owner: The Interim Executive Board
Date: **11** June 2020
Date shared with staff: 12 June 2020
Context: COVID-19 Pandemic

This statement has been written to reflect the procedures in school in the COVID-19 wider opening.

In accordance with the latest Government guidance, https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/school-exclusion/changes-to-the-school-exclusion-process-during-the-coronavirus-outbreak

The arrangements come into force on 1 June 2020 and will apply to all exclusions occurring from then until 24 September 2020 (inclusive of those dates). The arrangements also apply to:

- permanent and fixed term exclusions occurring before 1 June which have not yet been considered by the governing board of the school
- permanent exclusions occurring before 1 June which have been considered by the governing board, if they have chosen not to reinstate the pupil and the time limit to apply for a review of this decision has not passed
- permanent exclusions occurring before 1 June where a parent (or pupil aged 18) has requested a review of a governing board's decision, but this has not yet happened

Any exclusions covered by the arrangements will continue to be subject to them after 24 September 2020, until the procedures for scrutiny of the exclusion have been exhausted.

An exclusion should be taken as having 'occurred' on the first day of the exclusion (not the date when the decision to exclude was made or communicated).

The school will follow the Behaviour Policy and the COVID-19 School Behaviour Policy Addendum in making judgements where behaviour may result in fixed term exclusion.

Any fixed term exclusion will be recorded, parents informed and letters issued in line with local authority policy and procedures.