**ANTI-RACISM POLICY**

**Date of Policy: January 2018 Review: January 2019**

All policies at Tacolneston & Morley CE VA Primary Schools Federation should be taken as part of the overall strategy of the school and implemented within the context of our Safeguarding Policy and our vision, aims and values as Church of England Schools.

**Executive Head Teacher: Mrs Laura Green**

**Chair of Governors: Mr Peter Jackson**

**What is Racism?**

Broadly, ‘racism’ relates to discriminatory attitudes, beliefs, behaviour,

distinctions, exclusions, restrictions or preferences that are based on

presumptions about a person’s colour, descent, accent, national or ethnic origin, migrant status and religion.

The amended Race Relations Act 1976 gives schools a statutory general duty to promote race equality. The aim of the duty is to:

● eliminate unlawful racial discrimination;

● promote equal opportunities; and

● promote good relations between people of different racial groups.

Our schools provide an education and working environment in which all participants are equally valued and fairly treated. To this end we:

promote and enhance awareness, understanding and acceptance between

cultural groups and

acknowledge and celebrate the breadth of experience and intellectual

resources that people from diverse backgrounds bring to the life of the schools.

In our schools we foster a climate of respect for cultural diversity and of flexibility and acceptance with regard to cultural difference, creating an environment free from discrimination on the basis of perceptions about race.

In order to maintain this culturally inclusive environment we

provide an environment and culture that is inclusive to all

raise awareness of all members of the school community to the values of

cultural diversity

ensure that the school remains culturally inclusive and free from race

discrimination and harassment.

This policy applies to the whole school and consequently any activity related to school life.

We have taken steps to ensure that no materials including reading materials,

music scripts, worksheets etc that promote racism are kept in school.

In the event that racist discrimination or harassment occurs the school will

investigate and take such precautions as are possible to prevent further incidents from happening.

The principles on which this policy is based relate directly to the Norfolk

Curriculum Policy Statement, the Norfolk Learning Statement, Race Relations

Act and the McPherson Report. The standards adopted by our schools are in line with the document produced by the Commission for Racial Equality, “Learning For All.”

The Head teacher is responsible for ensuring that the policy is put into practice and together with staff and a governor will monitor its implementation and review its effectiveness. Racist incidents will be monitored by governors through the Headteacher’s report given at each Full Governing Body Meeting.

Visitors and other adults working in the school are requested to respect the

school’s anti-racist policy that is available for them to read on the school website and at our reception areas.

The school will not tolerate racist name-calling, racist bullying, graffiti, slogans

etc. As a school we are required to record all racist incidents and to report them to parents, governors and the LEA. Any incidents will be recorded and the records will be kept in the office. Only the head teacher or senior teacher and nominated member of the governing body have access to these records. Should it be deemed necessary the appropriate class teacher may also be informed.

We are committed to provide training for staff and governors to deal effectively with incidents of racism, racial harassment, prejudice and stereotyping and to provide support to victims. We will ensure that we provide sufficient opportunity for pupils to learn about cultural diversity and to directly challenge racist attitudes and behaviour.

Curriculum plans are monitored by the Head teacher and our policy is included in the Federation School Improvement and Development plan, for regular review. Staff and governors play a part in that review. Through our teaching of PSHCE (Personal, Social, Health and Citizenship Education) we hope to educate, repair any damage and build toward a better understanding and more caring atmosphere. If an incident involves pupils in the school the incident will be recorded and the perpetrators will be subjected to the schools disciplinary procedures. If the incident involves adults on the school premises, they will be reminded immediately of our school policy and asked to discuss the incident with the members of staff responsible. The incident will be recorded and a need to involve other outside agencies may be considered.

Victims will be shown understanding and given reassurance.

Consideration needs to be given to whether or not counselling or other support is required. Suggested proformas with guidelines for recording incidents are available from the LA. It is important that we are ready to deal with racist incidents even if they seem unlikely to occur.