



# Health and Safety Policy

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# Mabe Primary School Statement of Health and Safety Policy

### Mabe Primary School:-

- 1. Recognises its legal and moral responsibilities to persons who may be adversely affected by the school's activities.
- 2. Is committed to ensuring, by all reasonably practical means, the health, safety and welfare of its pupils, visitors, employees and contractors involved with its activities.
- 3. Will seek to ensure that its legal duties and policy objectives are complied with at all times.
- 4. Will ensure that all foreseeable risks associated with the school's activities are identified and removed or controlled through a process of risk assessment and management.
- 5. Will ensure that all employees are given such information, instruction and training as may be necessary to enable the safe performance of their duties.
- 6. Will seek to inform pupils' parents or guardian of any health, safety or welfare issues relevant to their child or children.
- 7. Have detailed the arrangements for health safety and welfare in the Organisation and Arrangements associated with this policy statement.
- 8. Will ensure, as far as is reasonably practical, that this policy statement and supporting documents are kept up-to-date. A formal review and re-adoption of this policy will be carried out annually.



# Responsibilities

It is recognised that individuals and groups of individuals have responsibilities for health safety and welfare in the school. The individuals and groups identified below are expected to have read and understood the school's policies and procedures for ensuring health safety and welfare and to conduct their duties in accordance with them.

### The employer

The employer in this school is Kernow Learning. The employer has the ultimate responsibility and must ensure that there are arrangements in place for the health safety and welfare of pupils, staff, visitors and contractors.

### Governors

The governors are responsible for ensuring that mechanisms and procedures are in place for health safety and welfare. The governors will receive reports to enable them, in collaboration with the Headteacher, to prioritise resources for health safety and welfare issues.

### Headteacher

The Headteacher has responsibility for:-

- Day-to-day management of all health safety and welfare matters in the school in accordance with the Statement of Safety Policy;
- Ensuring that regular health safety and welfare inspections are carried out;
- Submitting regular health safety and welfare reports to the Governors and the employer;
- Ensuring that action is taken on health safety and welfare issues;
- Passing on information received on health safety and welfare matters to appropriate people;
- Carrying out accident investigations;
- Identifying and facilitating employee training needs;
- Liaising with governors, the employer and/or the Local Authority on policy issues and any problems in implementing the Safety Policy;
- Co-operating with and providing necessary facilities for trades union safety representatives;
- Providing necessary facilities for all employees to be consulted on health safety and welfare matters;
- Ensuring that any contractor appointed to deliver services or carry out work is competent to do so;
- Monitoring contractors to ensure that the Health and Safety Policy is complied with;
- Take action where any contractor is found to be working in a manner which is considered to be unsafe.



Whilst the responsibility cannot be delegated, the function of carrying out these tasks can be delegated to other members of staff. In this school the following functions have been delegated to:-

Function	Delegated to
Day to day health safety and welfare management	Headteacher
Regular inspections	Site Supervisor
Accident Investigation	Headteacher
Employee training needs	Headteacher
Contractor management	Estate Manager / Site supervisor

### **Competent Health and Safety Advice**

The school recognises that it must have access to competent health and safety advice. The school's competent advisors are

The Health, Safety and Wellbeing Services Team, Cornwall Council

### Senior Management / Leadership Team

Senior management / Leadership Team have responsibilities for:-

- Day-to-day management of health safety and welfare in accordance with the Health and Safety Policy;
- Drawing up and reviewing departmental procedures regularly;
- Ensuring that suitable risk assessments have been carried out for all activities where there is a significant risk;
- Carrying out regular inspections and making reports to the Headteacher
- Ensuring action is taken on health safety and welfare issues;
- Arranging for employee training, information and instruction;
- Passing on health safety and welfare information received to appropriate people;
- Acting on reports from employees, the Headteacher the Governors and the Local Education Authority.

### All Employees

All employees have a general responsibility, as far as reasonably practical, to ensure the health safety and welfare of themselves and others who may be affected by anything they do or fail to do. In particular employees have a responsibility for:-

- Checking that classrooms/work areas are safe;
- Checking equipment is safe before use;
- Ensuring safe procedures are followed;



- Ensuring protective equipment is used when needed;
- Participating in inspections
- Bringing problems to the relevant manager's attention.

In addition all employees have a responsibility to co-operate with the employer on matters of health and safety.

### **Volunteers**

Volunteers (such as parent-helpers, etc.) have a responsibility to act in accordance with the school's policies and procedures for health safety and welfare and to report any incident or defective equipment to a member of staff immediately.

Volunteers are also expected to act only under the supervision of a qualified employee.



# Organisation and Arrangements for Health Safety and Welfare.

The following pages contain the specific arrangements and organisational details for ensuring that the school's Health and Safety Policy is fulfilled.

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# 1. Arrangements for the Supervision of Pupils

### **Opening Times**

The school will be open from:-

08.00am for breakfast club (school starts at 8.45am)

And will close to pupils at:-

Schooling finishes at 3.15pm Mon – Friday (clubs run until 4.00pm Mon –

Thurs during term time) wraparound continues until 5pm Mon- Thurs.

Between these times supervision will be provided. Pupils will not be allowed on site outside of these times except for planned events.

### Supervision arrangements

- At least two members of staff supervise pupils during morning break (and optional afternoon break for KS1 pupils)
- There are at least six members of staff to supervise pupils during lunchtimes, covering the dining hall and playgrounds.
- Parents and carers collect their children directly from the class doors.
- At the parent's discretion, children in Y5 and 6 can walk home from school unsupervised.
- Parents of pupils who have not been collected by 3.30pm will be contacted and the pupils will wait inside the school in the main reception area until parents / carers have collected them
- After school clubs are supervised by at least one member of staff
- All adults offering clubs are DBS cleared

# **After-School Lettings**

Unless specifically agreed in the Letting Agreement the school does not provide supervision for any groups using its facilities as part of a letting/hiring arrangement.



### 2. First Aid

### **Assessment of Needs**

An assessment of first aid needs has been carried out and has identified that the following numbers of trained staff is required:-

- First Aid at Work Qualified [2]
- Emergency First Aid Qualified [2]
- Paediatric First Aid Qualified [6]

### **First Aid Coordinator**

Paula Weller (Administrator) is responsible for overseeing the arrangements for first aid with the school. The First Aid Coordinator's duties include ensuring that:-

- First Aid equipment is available at strategic points in the school
  - o First Aid Kits are held in all Classrooms, Staff Room and Medical Room
- A sufficient number of personnel are trained in first aid procedures
  - o A list of First Aid Trained Staff and qualifications are held by the Office Manager
- First Aid qualifications are, and remain, current.

This person will also regularly check first aid logs for indications of recurrent or frequently reported types of injury.

### First Aiders

The first aiders will provide first aid treatment for anyone injured on site during the school day. They will also provide, as appropriate, first aid cover for:-

- Trips and visits
- Extra-curricular activities organised by the school (e.g. sports events, after school clubs, parents' evenings, school organised fund raising events etc.) First aid cover is not specifically provided for:-
  - Contractors
  - Events organised by third parties (fetes, evening clubs, etc.)

First Aiders are responsible for ensuring that First Aid Logs are completed for all treatment given and that the necessary details are supplied for the reporting of accidents (see Reporting of Accidents section)

### **Treatment of Injuries**

The school will rely on the knowledge and experience of its trained first aiders in order to administer appropriate treatment to injured persons.

In emergency situations the first aider will call (or instruct another member of staff to call) 999 and



request that an ambulance and paramedics attend.

Where there is any doubt about the appropriate course of action the first aider will be expected to consult with the Health Service Helpline by dialing 111 And, in the case of pupil injuries, with the parents or legal guardian.

### Suspected Head, Neck and Spinal Injuries to Pupils

In the event of a suspected head, neck or spinal injury to a pupil it is the policy of this school, in addition to the normal first aid procedures, that the pupil's parent/guardian is contacted and informed of the injury.

The attending first aider, in consultation with the parent/guardian, will decide the appropriate course of action in each case. The first aider will ensure that treatment is not delayed by difficulties in contacting the parent/guardian.

In any case where there is any doubt about the pupil's wellbeing, the first aider is expected to contact the Health Service Helpline for advice or phone for an ambulance as appropriate.

### **Other Significant Injuries**

Any other serious injury will be notified to the parents/guardians/carers by the quickest means possible (normally by phone).

In addition to the procedures above the school will notify parents/guardians/carers of any other significant injury by way of:-

A telephone call

Records of notification by telephone to parent/guardians/carers are made by using accident forms which will be kept by the school office.

### **Escorting Pupils to Hospital**

When it is necessary for a pupil to be taken to hospital they will be accompanied by a member of staff – unless the pupil's parent/guardian/carer is in attendance.

The member of staff will stay with the pupil until a parent/guardian/carer arrives and responsibility is transferred.



# 3. Pupils with Medical Needs

The school recognises that it has a responsibility to support pupils with medical needs. The school follows the Department for Education's guidance on managing medicines in schools and early years settings:-

(https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment\_data/file/484418/supporting-pupils-at-school-with-medical-conditions.pdf)

### **Responsible Person**

The Headteacher is responsible for ensuring that the arrangements below are effectively implemented and maintained.

### Medicine in Mabe Primary School

Medicines will only be administered at the school when it would be detrimental to a pupil's health not to do so. The school will store and dispense medication to pupils as long as:-

- It is prescription medication which has been prescribed by a medical practitioner with written instructions for its use; or
- It is non-prescription medication which has been supplied by the parent/guardian/carer with written instructions for its use; and
- Written parental/guardian/carer consent has been given.

The school does not keep or dispense any other medication other than salbutamol for use with the emergency asthma kit (see below).

Medication brought into school must be clearly labelled with the pupil's / staff members name, dosage, method of administration and be in-date.

Medication will be available to identified pupils/ staff members at all times of the school day.

### **Self-Management of Medication**

This school does not allow pupils to carry or manage their own medication without adult supervision. In certain circumstances, pupils will be allowed to administer their own medicine in the presence of a member of staff.

### Storage of Medicine

Medicines will be securely stored in in a lockable cupboard or refrigerator in the staff room.

Records of all medicines being stored in school are found in the Requests for Medicine to be Administered.

Any medicine given out or administered must be recorded in the Medicines Log.

### **Facilities for Medical Procedures**

A room has been provided for medications and medical treatments to be administered. (Disabled toilet / shower room)

### **Training**

The responsible person will ensure that sufficient staff are suitably trained in the administration of medication and support of pupils with medical needs.

The responsible person will keep a record of all medical needs training.



### **Sharing of Information**

The responsible person will ensure that relevant staff are made aware of any pupil's medical condition. This information will include, where appropriate:-

- Medical condition
- Side effects of medication
- Signs and symptoms
- Modifications and allowances
- Emergency actions

The responsible person will also ensure that relevant information is shared with cover staff etc.

### Individual Healthcare Plans

The responsible person will work with (or identify an appropriate member of staff to work with) healthcare professionals and parent/carers to establish an effective healthcare plan where appropriate.

Healthcare plans will be reviewed if there is reason to suspect that the plan is no longer appropriate and at least annually. A healthcare plan review can be initiated by the school, healthcare professional or the parents/carers.

### **Risk Assessment**

In addition to the healthcare plan the school will carry out individual risk assessments for any pupil where the pupil's medical needs introduce new risks to an activity or increase existing risks. This will include (but may not be limited to) individual risk assessments for off-site activities, sporting activities and practical lessons.

Risk assessment for off-site activities, in particular, will include consideration of:-

- Access to medication
- Appropriate storage of medication
- Staff training in administration of medication
- Emergency procedures

### Unacceptable practice

To prevent unacceptable practice the responsible person will ensure that:

- Pupils have access to their medication at all times during the School day or during educational
  activities off-site.
- Healthcare plans reflect the needs of the pupil and take into account the views of parents/carers and advice of healthcare professionals
- Every effort is made to ensure that pupils with medical needs are able to stay in school for normal school activities (including lunch) unless there is a specific reason detailed in their healthcare plan not to do so.



- If the pupil becomes ill; ensure that he/she is accompanied to the school office by an appropriate person.
- Pupils with medical needs are not penalised in their attendance record if their absences are related to their medical condition, hospital appointments, etc.
- Toilet, food and drink breaks are provided where necessary in order to manage a pupil's medical condition.
- Arrangements for administering medication do not include the need for parent/carers to attend the School unless to administer medicine that has not been prescribed.
- Every effort is made to ensure that pupils with medical needs are able to take part in every aspect of school life including off-site activities, sporting events and practical lessons.

# **Complaints**

Parents/carers are encouraged to contact the Headteacher if they are concerned or dissatisfied in any way with the support provided by the school for a pupil with medical needs.

If concerns cannot be resolved in this manner; parents/carers can follow the school's complaint procedure.



# 4. Accidents/Incidents

# **Reporting Officers**

The following members of staff have access and authority to report accidents and incidents:

All staff using the Accident Reporting Forms

Headteacher and Office Manager using the Online Reporting System

Staff are required to report all accidents/incidents to a reporting officer within a reasonable timescale.

Pupils are required to report all accidents/incidents to a member of staff. The Reporting Officer will record incidents using the systems below.

### Accident/Incident Reporting Systems

This school records all significant accidents and incidents using the Cornwall Council Online Accident Reporting System. A significant accident is:-

Any incident resulting in an injury to a member of staff

Any incident resulting in an injury to a visiting member of the public Any incident resulting in an injury to a contractor on the school site

Any incident resulting in an injury to a pupil which was (or might be) due to

- The condition or layout of the premises or facilities
- The condition of any equipment in use
- The level (or lack) of supervision
- The level or quality instruction or training provided

Any "Dangerous Occurrence" as listed in the schedule to the Reporting of Injuries Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (RIDDOR)

Any "Occupational Disease" as listed in RIDDOR.

Further guidance on what should be reported is available through the Online System or the School Messenger website.

Where the description of the accident/incident meets the criteria set out in RIDDOR a report will be sent to the Health and Safety Executive.

Any minor accident/incident which does not meet the above criteria will be recorded on a simple "Day-Log" which will be kept in the school office.

### **Near Misses**

Where an incident occurs which could have resulted in injury – but didn't – a record will be made using the online reporting system as a Near Miss.

The Near Miss Log will be reviewed periodically by the Headteacher in order to identify any areas of concern which may require attention.



### **Reporting Timescales**

	Reporting timescale
Pupils will report accidents/incidents to a member of staff	Straight away if possible and in any case on the same day as the incident
Staff will report accidents/incidents to a reporting officer	Straight away if possible and in any case on the same day as the incident
Reporting Officers will complete the online report	Usually within 48 hours and in any case within 7 days.

# Accident/Incident Investigation

All incident reports will be reviewed by the Headteacher who will decide if an internal investigation is necessary. Investigation reports will be entered onto the Online Accident Reporting System. Significant incidents (as determined by the Head of School) will be reported to the Governing Body.

All reports submitted via the Online Accident Reporting System are reviewed by the Health Safety and Wellbeing Services Team of Cornwall Council.

Health Safety and Wellbeing Services will recommend an independent investigation of the accident/incident if the review indicates a need. The Headteacher and Trust Incident Investigation Officer will decide if this investigation takes place.



# 5. Training

### **Identification of Training Needs**

The school will carry out an evaluation of the health and safety training needs of staff. The Cornwall Council Training Matrix for Schools and Other Educational Establishments will be used as the starting point of this evaluation.

A prioritised plan for delivery of training will be put in place to where the evaluation identifies a need.

The Headteacher is responsible for carrying out the evaluation of training needs and presenting recommendations to the Local Governing Body.

# **Staff Responsibilities**

Staff must attend health and safety training provided by the school and complete modules as requested on-line.



### 6. Risk Assessment

### **Risk Assessment**

The school will seek to identify all activities and situations where there is a likelihood of significant risk. Significant risks will be assessed and controls will be introduced to remove or reduce those risks.

### **Risk Assessment Process**

The school will carry out risk assessments using the Online Risk Management System.

The Headteacher is responsible for managing the risk assessment process and producing relevant reports for the Interim Advisory Board

Copies of risk assessments are available from the Online Risk Management System.

### **Staff Responsibilities**

All staff are required to support the risk assessment process.

Staff identified with responsibility for activities are required to carry out or lead the risk assessment process for those activities.

Teachers are responsible for ensuring that risk assessments have been completed for all activities where there is a significant risk.

### **Safe Working Procedures**

Where appropriate risk assessments will be used to develop safe working procedures. These safe working procedures will form the basis of the school's normal operating procedures. Copies of safe working procedures are available from the school office.



### 7. Fire

### Fire Officer

The person responsible for organising the school's fire precautions is the Headteacher The Key Stage Leader/s will deputise when the Fire Officer is not present.

The Fire Officer is responsible for:-

- Arranging a fire evacuation drill at the beginning of the academic year and at least once every term (once per half-term where practical)
- Recording the significant results of the fire evacuation drills
- Ensuring that the Fire Log is kept up-to-date (arranging alarm tests every week, emergency lighting every month, fire extinguisher checks, etc.)
- Ensuring that a fire risk assessment is carried out and kept up-to-date
- Reporting to the LGB on issues of significance.

### **All Staff**

All staff are responsible for ensuring that pupils and visitors evacuate in an orderly and timely fashion in the event of the alarm sounding.

Staff are also responsible for ensuring that they:-

- Do not store combustible materials in escape routes or against sources of combustion
- Do not leave fire-doors wedged open
- Do not misuse any equipment provided for fire safety
- Report any defect in equipment provided for fire safety
- Report any fire hazard.

### Fire Wardens

The school has identified people to act as Fire Wardens for areas of the school:- Jo Champion FS, Julia Pearce KS1, Steve Cruse KS2

Fire Wardens have received training in fire prevention, the principals of fire safety, safe use of firefighting equipment and effective evacuation procedures.

Periodically Fire Wardens will carry out inspections of their area of the school to identify fire hazards and any other fire safety related issues. These inspections will be reported to the Fire Officer or senior member of staff for action.

In the event of a fire, Fire Wardens will assist in the evacuation of the premises by:-

• Supervising and directing pupils and staff to areas of safety.



### Fire Fighting Equipment

Firefighting equipment has been positioned at appropriate positions around the site.

In accordance with the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order a number of staff have been given training in the use of firefighting equipment:-

### **Evacuation and Registration Procedures**

### to include:-

- Alarm system details (including methods for raising the alarm)
- Exit routes
- Assembly points
- Signage
- Contingency arrangements if a quick return to the building is prohibited
- Arrangements for taking registers
- Arrangements for other people on site (e.g. contractors, visitors, etc.)
- Emergency contacts & mobile phone
- Arrangements for contacting the emergency services
- Arrangements for liaising with the emergency services once they arrive on site.
- Arrangements for evacuating disabled people (each person will require a personal emergency evacuation plan (PEEP)
- Arrangements for evacuation to a location off-site
- Arrangement for other emergency evacuation such as flood, bomb threat, etc.]



### 8 Electricity

### **School Owned Portable Appliances**

The school will undertake to inspect and test all its portable electrical appliances by a competent person on the following basis:-

In accordance with HSE guidance and compliance regulations

Tests will be carried out by a trained member of staff or an independent contractor

All test Certificates will be kept in the online compliance log using SMARTLOG and a hard copy in the school building for the duration of the life of the appliance.

### **Personal and Privately Owned Portable Appliances**

Personal items of electrical equipment may only be bought into the school by prior agreement. Equipment must be tested prior to use. All personal items of electrical equipment must only be used in conjunction with a residual current device

### Coordinator

The Estates Team are responsible for keeping an up-to-date inventory of all relevant electrical appliances and for ensuring that all equipment is available for testing.

The Coordinator is also responsible for ensuring that a fixed wiring inspection is carried out for the premises.



# 9. The Control of Hazardous Substances

### **Hazard Assessment**

All substances which may be considered hazardous to health under the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) Regulations have been assessed using Cornwall Council's COSHH Assessment Process.

The exception to this is for substances and preparations used in Science – these substances and preparations are used in accordance with the Hazcards provided by the Consortium of Local Education Authorities for the Provision of Science Services (CLEAPSS).

A central copy of COSHH assessments is kept by the Estates Team.

# **Staff Responsibilities**

Staff shall not use any hazardous substance without first having read the COSHH Assessment (or Hazcard in Science).

Staff shall inform the COSHH Coordinator of any new hazardous substance purchased in order that an assessment can be made prior to use.

### **COSHH Coordinator**

The Estates Team is responsible for ensuring that, before any new substance/chemical is used, a COSHH assessment has been obtained from Cornwall Council.

The Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that COSHH assessments are seen and understood by those staff who are exposed to the substance/preparation.

The Coordinator is also responsible for ensuring that any updated COSHH assessments received are seen and understood by those who are exposed to the substance/preparation and that the COSHH file is kept up-to-date.

The Coordinator is responsible for ensuring that COSHH assessments are also obtained from contractors on site (both regular contracts such as cleaners and caterers and from builders, decorators, flooring specialists, etc.) where persons may be affected by their use of site or the storage of such substances/preparations may need to be controlled.

In addition, any hazardous substances or preparations being used by visiting artists, crafters, etc. must have appropriate COSHH assessments before being used in the school.



# 10. Display Screen Equipment

### **Workstation Assessment**

The Trust DSE Assessor is responsible for overseeing the assessment of all display screen equipment (DSE) used by people at work (i.e. excluding pupil workstations) to ensure that it is suitable for the task and complies with legislation and the relevant British Standards.

### **Equipment**

Appropriate DSE equipment will be provided as identified by workstation assessments.

### **Eye Tests for Display Screen Equipment Users**

All school employees who are defined as display screen equipment (DSE) users are entitled to a free eye test and special glasses for use with DSE.

DSE users are defined as:-

- Employees who use display screen equipment as a significant part of their normal work; and
- Use DSE for continuous or near continuous spells of an hour or more at a time; and
- Use it in this way more or less daily; and
- Have to transfer information quickly to or from the display screen equipment; and
- A requirement to apply high levels of attention and concentration; or are highly dependent on DSE or have little or no alternative means of completing the work/task.

(Agency staff and other people at work in the school should contact their own employer for details of arrangements that apply to them).

Staff who are entitled to an eye test can request advice and guidance from the Trust HR Manager.



# 11. Work Equipment

The Estates Team are responsible for overseeing the purchase of all work equipment.

All work equipment must be purchased from a reputable supplier for the type of equipment that is required. Before purchase consideration must be given to:-

- The installation requirements
- The suitability for purpose
- The positioning and or the storage of the equipment
- Maintenance requirements (contracts and repairs)
- Training and use of the equipment

Staff must not use new items of work equipment unless appropriate training has been given.



# 12. Management of Contractors

### **Contractor's Policy**

The Estates Team are responsible for overseeing the management of all contractors on site unless the school have engaged with contractors themselves, in this case the responsibility then rests with the Head of School.

### Selection of Contractors

The school will only select contractors to carry out work who have demonstrated:-

- Competence to carry out the work required (by way of training, knowledge and experience)
- Assessment of the risks associated with the work
- A safe scheme of work
- Appropriate management of the work
- Appropriate vetting procedures for their employees where appropriate
- Appropriate employers and public liability insurance

### **Management of Contractors**

Supervision of contractors will, to an extent, depend on the type of work being carried out:-

- New contractors or contractors visiting the site on a one-off basis will be directly supervised by a member of school staff.
- Term contractors or regular contractors to the site will only be allowed unsupervised access after evidence of appropriate checks and assurances from their employer have been provided.

All contractors will be required to carry visible identification.

Direct supervision will not be necessary where the area of work is physically separate from the school (for example: where there is construction on site).

### **Construction Works**

For all construction works (other than minor maintenance works) the area under construction will be physically separated from the rest of the school and will be out-of- bounds to all non-construction workers except for the purposes of contract management.



# 13 Personal Protective Equipment

### **School Responsibilities**

Personal protective equipment (PPE) will be supplied to control hazards only as a last resort – i.e. where the hazard cannot be removed or reduced to an acceptable level of risk by other means.

Where provided the school has a duty to ensure that PPE is used effectively. Staff will be expected to monitor the use of PPE and enforce its use where necessary.

# **Assessment of Need**

The need for PPE will be determined during the Risk or COSHH Assessment process. Where identified as necessary PPE will be provided without cost to staff or pupils.

### Purchase and Storage of PPE

The Estates Team will be responsible for the purchase of PPE ensuring that it is of the correct type, is suitable for the purpose and of the correct size to ensure that the fit is comfortable for the wearer and takes account of any health or medical conditions.

In addition they will ensure that suitable arrangements are in place for the storage, cleaning and replacement of PPE.

### **Staff and Pupil Responsibilities**

When issued with PPE; staff and pupils are required to wear it correctly.

Staff must take all reasonable precautions to ensure that PPE is stored and maintained properly.



# 14 Working Alone

It is recognised that, from time to time, it may be necessary for school staff to work in situations or locations which are remote from other members of staff. This will include staff working in the evenings, weekends or during the holiday in the school on their own.

In such circumstances the school will assess the risk to these individuals and will introduce suitable controls to ensure that all risks are minimised. A copy of the procedures introduced to control these risks will be kept in reception.

Any staff wishing to work outside normal school hours must have prior agreement/permission from the Headteacher.

### **School Security**

The Cleaner supervisor is the appointed person who is responsible for the security of the site at the end of the day by ensuring that doors, windows, skylight etc. are secured.

The Site supervisor is responsible for carrying out checks of the premises during holiday periods.

### School Staff/Governors Responding to Call-Outs

Staff nominated as out-of-hours key holders are sometimes required to attend site following the activation of the alarm. When they are called out they will not know what situation they will find and consequently systems need to be established which reduce the potential for them to be harmed.

It is considered that it is foreseeable that when attending a call out there is a potential for injury due to assault (which is rare) or as the consequence of an accident.

Fire Crest are the school's nominated representatives who will respond in an out-of- hours call out.

The school will assess the risks to these individuals and introduce suitable control measures to ensure that all risks are minimised.

### **Call Out Arrangements**

The school will introduce call out arrangements that will reduce the possibility of injury to staff and which ensure that if an incident occurs support will be provided.

# **Security Firm Personnel Attendance**

The school have a contract with a security firm who will respond to alarm activations without recourse to an school key holder or who will arrange for someone to meet with the key holder whilst they check the site. Fire Crest currently provide this service to the school

### **Lone Person Attends**

Intruder Alarm will never result in a lone attendee response.

A Fire Alarm Callout could result in a lone attendee response, at this point the lone attendee would operate within the lone working policy.



### 15 Violence

### **Zero Tolerance**

Violence is not tolerated in this school. Action and the appropriate sanctions will be taken against the perpetrator of any violence towards staff, pupils or visitors to this school.

### Violence towards Staff

Violence towards staff from other members of staff, visitors or members of the public will be reported to the police.

Violence towards staff from pupils will be dealt with using the [school/school]'s internal disciplinary procedures (which may include police involvement where appropriate).

### **Violence towards Visitors**

Violence towards visitors will be reported to the police.

### **Violence towards Pupils**

Violence between pupils will normally be dealt with using the school's internal disciplinary procedures (which may include police involvement where appropriate).

Violence towards pupils from staff, visitors or members of the public will be reported to the police.

# Responsible Person

The Headteacher is responsible for ensuring that all:-

- Staff are aware of the policy and procedures for dealing with violent incidents
- Staff have received instruction in procedures/techniques for avoiding violence at work
- Staff are aware of the procedures for reporting violent incidents
- Incidents of physical and verbal abuse are recorded using the Online Accident Reporting System

### **Team Teach**

Team Teach is a training package for staff utilising de-escalation and positive handling strategies to support a child when they are in a crisis situation.

This school has the relevant number of staff members trained in Team Teach techniques

An additional specific policy (Physical Contact Policy) has also been adopted and is available to members of staff.