

## **Health and Safety**

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## Single Equality Statement

This Single Equality Scheme for schools in Mundella Primary School provides a format for addressing the statutory duties of the Equality Act 2010 and The Children and Families Act 2014. This supersedes and brings together all previous statutory duties in relation to race, gender and disability and also addresses the duty to promote community cohesion, thus meeting the school's statutory duties in these areas.

Our Access and Single Equality Scheme is available to view and download on our website.

#### **Governor Statement**

The Governing Body of Mundella Primary School works as a 'whole team', meeting 6 times per year; spread evenly across the year, without any separate committees excepting finance. In addition to these meetings, we have termly Governor Monitoring Visits (GMV); usually lasting around four hours and organised to effectively observe, scrutinise, challenge and support a range of school activities and personnel.

An agenda for each meeting and GMV will include all the tasks which the governing body is required to consider, and the governing body will plan assignments or activities; arising from the business of the meeting or that fall into the annual monitoring schedule, which will be recorded in the minutes and then undertaken as directed.

In addition to 'commissioning' activities or actions on their behalf, the governing body may wish to delegate monitoring activities to 'monitoring pairs' or 'individuals'. This could apply to statutory functions, and/or the priorities of the School Plan. They may also arrange to visit the school, or attend school activities, at any time; at the discretion of the Headteacher, to undertake monitoring activities as and when they are available to do so.

In each case, where a function has been delegated there is a statutory duty to report any action or decision to the governing body at the next meeting.

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#### 1. Introduction

#### **Statement of Intent**

Health and safety is an important consideration for our school. We will take all reasonable steps to provide a safe and caring environment for children, staff and our visitors. All personal data/information maintained in this respect will be held in the strictest confidence in-line with relevant legislation.

The headteacher and governors are committed to establishing and implementing arrangements that will:

- ensure staff and pupils are safeguarded when on school premises, or engaged in offsite activities (e.g. school trips, sports events etc.).
- ensure the premises for which they are responsible have safe access and egress for all staff, pupils and visitors.
- provide adequate facilities and arrangements for welfare.
- provide and maintain safe plant and safe systems of work without risks to health.
- ensure safe use, handling, storage and transport of articles.
- provide suitable information, training, instruction and supervision to keep all staff, pupils and visitors safe.

## Responsibilities

The governing body shares with the local education authority overall responsibility for health and safety. For its part, the governing body will:

- Ensure health and safety has a high profile
- Ensure adequate resources for health and safety are available
- Consult staff and provide training opportunities
- Monitor and review health and safety

#### The Headteacher will:

- To ensure this policy is reviewed annually, or before if there are any changes in circumstances;
- To ensure that employee responsibilities regarding health and safety are included in his/her job description and that it is properly received and understood
- To include health and safety issues in the school improvement plan, if necessary
- To carry out regular health and safety inspections (at least three times a year) and take remedial action as appropriate;
- To undertake risk assessments, record significant findings, and review annually, or before if there is a change in circumstance;
- To receive and deal promptly with raised issues or complaints about unsafe premises, equipment or work practices;
- To liaise with KCC property and infrastructure support and/or the building maintenance consultants and/or with contractors to resolve property maintenance issues;
- To ensure that the requirements of any enforcement officer (e.g. HSE Inspector, Environmental Health Officer, Fire Liaison Officer, or Environmental Agency Inspector) are properly addressed;
- To ensure that emergency evacuation procedures are in place and tested;
- To ensure that adequate first aid provision is available and kept up to date;
- To report health and safety issues to the governing body on a regular basis;
- To monitor and review all health and safety policies and procedures.

**NB:** Tasks can be delegated to other staff members but the responsibility remains with the head teacher.

#### All staff will:

- Support the implementation of health and safety arrangements
- Take reasonable care of themselves and others
- Ensure as far as is reasonably practicable that their classroom or work area is safe

 Report shortcomings to the school office so they can be recorded in the Site Maintenance Record Book.

# The Site manager holds responsibility for the day to day maintenance and other buildings / grounds issues. They will:

- ensure that any work that has health and safety implications is prioritised
- report any concerns regarding unresolved hazards in school to the senior management team immediately
- ensure that all work under their control is undertaken in a safe manner
- carry out a daily check of the grounds and building to spot any disrepair or other hazards such as broken glass etc. in the play areas
- ensure that all cleaning staff are aware of safe working practices, especially regarding reporting of hazards, the use of hazardous substances and manual handling
- carry out a weekly test of the fire alarm
- ensure all contractors are 'inducted' and shown the relevant risk assessments, asbestos records and are made aware of any fragile roofs or other hazards in the areas where they will be working
- fully co-operate with health and safety arrangements during larger building projects.

## **Gen2 Property Services will:**

 ensure that property matters for which the local authority as the employer has statutory responsibilities, (e.g. regular maintenance and testing of fixed electrical wiring or fixed gas appliances) are properly dealt with, (if necessary, by taking premises or fixed equipment out of use). The head teacher is responsible for liaising with Gen2, and/or the building consultants and/or with contractors from KCC preferred contractors list, to resolve property maintenance issues.

## **Safety Representatives**

Safety representatives of a recognised Trade Union have the following functions:

- represent employees generally and when you consult them about specific matters that will affect the health, safety and welfare of the employees
- represent employees when Health and Safety Inspectors from HSE or Local Authorities consult them
- investigate accidents, near misses, and other potential hazards and dangerous occurrences in the workplace
- investigate complaints made by an employee they represent about their health, safety or welfare in the workplace
- present the findings of investigations to the Headteacher
- inspect the workplace

• with at least one other appointed representative, request in writing that you set up a health and safety committee and attend Health and Safety Committee and meetings as a representative of your employees.

## The Area Education Officers (AEO) will:

- Take responsibility for the strategic overview of health and safety matters in schools, and report concerns to the Corporate Director of Education and Young Person's Services.
- Raise specific health and safety issues with the health and safety unit.

Name of AEO: David Adams Contact No: 03000 414989

## Information, Instruction and Supervision

Under health and safety law it is a legal requirement to display or provide a leaflet version of the Health and Safety Law poster.

- A copy of the Health and Safety Law Poster is located at:
- supervision of young workers/trainees will be arranged/undertaken/monitored by the head teacher or other delegated key members of staff
- the head teacher will supply adequate information, instruction and supervision for all staff, pupils and visitors to ensure their health and safety.

## **General Health and Safety Arrangements**

The arrangements for health and safety have been drawn up following assessment of risk in accordance with the Management of Health and Safety Regulations 1999.

Smoking is not permitted anywhere on the school site.

When contractors are on site they are expected to follow school safety procedure. The Office Manager, Site Manager or Headteacher will liaise with contractors as appropriate.

Staff should follow the guidance on using controlled or hazardous substances found in the following publications in accordance with the most current advice.

A yearly check will be carried out by a governor and the Site Manager to monitor the upkeep of buildings and grounds.

All new staff and visiting staff, as part of their induction programme, will be advised on safety procedures and associated contingency plans.

A copy of the Health and Safety Law Poster can be found at the inner entrance to the school.

## **Monitoring and Review of Health and Safety Arrangements**

The yearly check will be used to prioritise need and to inform planning.

The Site Maintenance Record Book will be used to ensure immediate action is carried out when necessary.

Training will be identified, arranged and monitored by the headteacher and the governing body

All staff will carry out monitoring on a day to day basis.

The Site Manager will monitor school grounds and premises daily.

## 2. Equipment

Any equipment in school should be used safely and for its intended purpose only.

Equipment identified as defective should be taken out of use immediately and labelled accordingly. Admin staff should be informed immediately in order that arrangements for repairs or replacement can be made swiftly.

No second hand equipment must be introduced to school without the agreement of the Headteacher.

Electrical equipment will be tested regularly in accordance with Kent County Council policy. Plugs and leads will be visually checked regularly.

Any electrical equipment used outside must be attached to the electric supply through an RCD, and any lead should be covered by mats to allow safe passage over the wire.

Electrical sockets should be switched off before a plug is removed.

Firefighting equipment and alarm systems are maintained via annual contract.

PE equipment is maintained via an annual contract.

Hazardous substances, such as glazes, cleaning materials, etc., are kept locked in appropriate storage areas.

#### 3. Curriculum - Use of Resources

We follow the county guidelines with regard to science, ICT, technology, art and PE. A copy of each is kept in the school office and also with the subject manager who is responsible for disseminating the information to the staff and pupils.

In addition the following have higher risk aspects:

- Science reference should be made to the 'Safety in Science' document;
- Art reference should be made to the 'Safety in Art' document; and
- Technology reference should be made to 'Make it Safe Safety Guidance for the Teaching of Design and Technology at Key Stages 1 and 2' document.

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## Clothing

All children will change into suitable clothing for the activity in which they will participate - details of clothing are listed in the school handbook.

Teachers should, where possible, change into appropriate clothing for outdoor games. This sets a good example to children and allows a greater degree of manoeuvrability for demonstrating skills, or accessibility to a child should an accident occur.

## Jewellery

The wearing of jewellery and nail varnish is not permitted. If ears are pierced, studs only may be worn but must be removed for P.E. A watch may be worn if it is named and not of any great value.

It is advisable to collect all such items prior to the lesson and store safely.

## **Lifting and Moving**

Each child should be taught how to lift and move equipment. Techniques should be revised at least each year with your new class.

Children should be stationed at the corners of each piece of equipment.

A leader of the group says when the lift should start.

## 4. General Safety

## **School Building Access**

In order to improve safety for everyone in school, measures have been taken to restrict access into the school building. Children may use the entrance in Walton Road. The gates are locked at 9.10 a.m. and after this time visitors or late arrivals should enter via the main entrance. All visitors must report to the school office and sign the visitor's book where they will be issued with a visitor's badge. All visitors must sign out when leaving the school building.

Any adults on site who do not work in the school and who are not wearing a visitors badge must be reported to the school office.

The main entrance is locked, allowing access on request from the school office, via an intercom.

## **Vehicles**

Wherever possible deliveries should be made once the children are safely in the building.

Other trade vehicles should park safely and not block doorways, disabled parking or delivery areas.

## **Lone Working**

All staff should avoid lone working wherever possible by arranging for a colleague to also be on site.

Where lone working is unavoidable staff should ensure that all outside doors are locked and curtains/blinds are closed when it is dark.

Fire doors must be unlocked when staff are working on the premises, e.g. out of school hours.

Any one lone working on a regular basis, should be equipped with a personal mobile phone.

Security lights are present in the playground

When two or more people work late they should try to leave the building together.

Cars should be parked as close to the access doors as possible.

Where possible staff should let someone know if they will not be home at their usual time and what time they can be expected.

## **Key Holder Safety during Call Outs**

The only permitted key holders are (in contact order):

- The Site Manager
- The Deputy Headteacher
- The Headteacher

Key holders on call out should be mindful of their own safety.

If the police have left the premises a key holder can contact the police and request that they return before entering the building.

Key holders should lock themselves in.

Before leaving the key holder should ensure that the school is secure and the alarm re-set.

If any member of staff is onsite and is concerned about people on or about the site they should telephone the police on 101 or on 999 if concerned about their own or the school's wellbeing.

#### Fire Safety

The school will provide a safe and healthy working environment with respect to fire safety. The Fire Policy Statement is detailed at <u>Appendix A</u>.

## **Evacuation Procedures**

Evacuation procedures, detailed at <u>Appendix B</u>, are practised termly and reviewed annually or more regularly if appropriate. Evacuation routes and meeting points are detailed on the school site plan, which is shown at <u>Appendix C</u>.

## 5. Supervision of Children

**School Hours:** 

## Phase One (EY and Year 1)

Morning Session 08:45 a.m. – 11:40 noon : Morning Break 10.15 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Afternoon Session 12:30 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. Afternoon Break 1.45pm – 2.00pm

## Phase Two (Years 2, 3 and 4)

Morning Session 08:45 a.m. - 11:50 p.m. Morning Break 10.35 a.m. - 10.50 a.m. Afternoon Session 12:40 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. Afternoon Break 2:05 pm - 2.20 pm

## Phase Three (Years 5 and 6)

Morning Session 08:45 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. Morning Break 10.20 a.m. - 10.35 a.m. Afternoon Session 1:20 p.m. - 3.15 p.m. Afternoon Break 2:20 pm - 2.30 pm

Children should not arrive at school before 8.30 a.m.

#### **Office Hours**

The school office is open during school hours.

#### **Duties**

A member of staff needs to be around the playground area to supervise children arriving for school. The school doors are open 08:45 a.m.

At 3.15 p.m. the class teachers supervise the children leaving school.

At break times at least three members of staff are on duty. Staff should return to their classrooms in time for lessons to resume.

Indoor Duty: If it is a wet morning playtime, staff stay with their classes until they have made contact with another member of staff and arranged to cover one another for a short release time.

All members of staff are responsible for making sure that their classroom is clear of children.

All staff (teaching and non-teaching) should be in their classrooms to receive the children as they come in first thing in the morning, from morning break and after lunch.

The rota for duties is on the staff room notice board.

## **Lunch-time Supervision**

Mrs Gretton (SFLO) and Mrs Wharmby (DHT) are responsible for the organisation and management of lunch times, and works with a team of Mid-Day Supervisors.

The Headteacher and Deputy Headteachers can also provide support at lunchtime.

All staff have a collective responsibility at all times and should speak to children and support the supervisory staff whenever the need arises.

Any children working in classrooms or activity areas must be supervised by a class teacher, HLTA or TA.

#### 6. First Aid

#### Health and Accidents to Children or Staff

School staff are expected to take reasonable action as responsible adults, to deal with injuries, etc., that children sustain until the child can, if necessary, receive professional medical treatment.

The school has trained first aiders – These are on the school information board

First aid and medical treatment is available from the medical room.

Disposable gloves should always be used when dealing with blood and then be placed in the medical bin

First aid boxes for school journeys are stored in the office and Site Manager's room as well as other items required to be on hand during a journey

HLTA, TA and MDS trained First Aiders have the responsibility of dealing with minor accidents at lunchtime. If a child receives a bump to the head parents will be contacted and given the option of coming to school to check the child themselves or leaving the child to recover and return to class.

A note should be made in the Accident Book; which is kept in the medical store, of all actions taken and contact made with home where appropriate. Serious accidents will also require an accident form to be completed and may also require statements from all staff involved. Any child that goes home should be recorded as having done so and the class teacher informed.

Accidents to staff must also be reported and a record kept in the Accident Book, which is kept in the school office, and reported; via the internet, to KCC.

Additional consideration for the covid 19 position is available within the Risk Assessment for Covid 19

## **Medication Policy**

If a child requires prescribed medicines whilst in school, the parent must complete an Administration of Medicines/Treatment (Form of Consent) which is available from the school office. Once completed these forms should be kept in the school office.

All medication should be stored safely either in the fridge in the SLT office or in the medicine box in the school office.

All medication, except inhalers, must be recorded when taken on the appropriate Administration of Medicines/Treatment Form, which is kept in the school office.

It is the responsibility of the admin staff and class teachers to ensure children have access to inhalers/medicines on any off-site visits.

## **Allergies**

Information about children who suffer from an allergy will be published in the staff room. All staff will be informed of the individuals involved. Class teachers are issued with lists informing of any medical issues concerning children. The school has identified those able to administer adrenaline via an Epi Pen when necessary.

## **Contagious Diseases**

Outbreaks of notifiable diseases will be published to parents and staff immediately to ensure pregnant women are informed.

If in doubt we contact the school nursing team.

#### **Head Lice**

Incidents of head lice are reported to parents of children in the class where an outbreak has occurred.

#### 7. Staff Health and Welfare

## **Stress**

Any member of staff who feels they may be suffering from stress should discuss their concerns with either the Headteacher, senior staff or the school's health and safety representative as soon as possible. The Headteacher will discuss the matter with the person concerned within 24 hours of the issue being raised, where physically possible.

A list of emergency contact names and phone numbers for all staff is held in the school office.

## Safety

All staff have a responsibility to be mindful of their own safety when putting up displays and moving equipment or furniture.

Staff should not climb on chairs or tables. A stepladder is available for use.

Both staff and children should take care when moving or lifting equipment. If in doubt seek help. (See notes re PE in curriculum section of this document).

Information on safe lifting techniques is provided in the Site Managers Training.

#### Violence

Guidance is given in our Managing Abusive Parents, Carers and Visitors in the School Policy.

Parents who are known to be violent or aggressive should never been seen by staff unless another adult is present.

## **VDU Operators**

Admin. staff using VDUs should vary their work routines and follow guidance on regular eye tests

#### 8. Off Site Activities

Please refer to the Educational Visits Policy and Safeguarding Policy.

Any visit off site must be approved by the Headteacher.

For any visit to take place off the school site, a letter home requesting permission is required. If we hold permission to go offsite, then the parents must be informed each time. At the beginning of each school year parents are asked to sign a form giving their permission for visits within walking distance in the city. Also, at the start of the year parents are asked to give emergency contact names and phone numbers to be used in an emergency.

One copy of the official list of the children and adults in the party on a school visit and their contact numbers must be kept in the school office. The list(s) should also include the registration number of any vehicle(s) involved.

If the party is travelling on two or more coaches it should be clear on the official list of children and adults who is travelling on which coach.

Each adult on the visit should have a copy of the list and a copy should also be left with the driver at the front of the coach.

The pupil/adult ratio recommended by the authority for the activity must be met.

Where transport is by car (either teacher or parent) a Car Insurance Confirmation Form should be completed. These are available from the school office. Each adult should also carry an official list with the names of their passengers, and appropriate emergency contact details. If it is the intention to change vehicles for the return journey, school must know that car registration too.

Where the visit is in the evening, the leader must hold the home telephone numbers of senior members of staff.

All coaches hired by the school will have seat belts fitted, adults should ensure that they are used.

Adults must base themselves in different parts of the vehicle to minimise the risk of all adults being injured.

Children should not sit in the front seats of the coach or in the centre back seat.

Children should not be seated by an emergency exit.

Unless a long trip, children are not allowed to eat or drink on coaches and should sit still not distracting the driver or drivers of other vehicles.

On a visit involving transport the following should be easily accessible:

Plastic gloves; First aid kit (containing official list of adults and children on the party, plus the school name and telephone number); Drinking water and beaker; Paper towels and hankies; and 'Sick bags'.

NB: The office staff and class teachers are responsible for ensuring children have access to inhalers and their medication where necessary.

## 9. Critical Incidents

The school has in place contingency measures for critical incidents. Please see Appendices E - G for the following Critical Incidents Planned Responses:

Road traffic accident involving pupils/accident during school trip

Aggressive or violent incident in school; and

Disaster in the community.

#### **APPENDIX A**

#### Fire Policy Statement

Mundella Primary School will provide a safe and healthy working environment with respect to fire safety in its establishments

The Site Manager will be responsible for:

- Checking all fire doors are free from obstructions and slip/trip hazards.
- Checking all escape routes are clear.
- Checking all fire doors can be opened quickly and easily.
- Checking all fire resisting doors close properly.
- Checking no fire resisting doors are wedged or propped open.
- General housekeeping standards are adequate.
- Building generally tidy.
- Rubbish and waste materials are not being allowed to accumulate.
- There is no storage, especially combustible materials, in unsuitable locations (corridors or electric intake rooms).
- Waste containers stored externally in a secure compound.

The named Fire Safety Co-ordinator and Health & Safety representative is Rob Dickson – Site Manager.

## **Responsibilities:**

Checking all areas: Headteacher - overall supervision.

Main toilets - Deputy Headteachers

Infant toilets - EYFS Team

Classrooms - Class Teachers

Staff toilets – Office

Phoning fire service – This is automatic however the office manager to check fire service has been called.

Unlocking gates to allow access – Site Manager

Registers and visitors book – Office Staff

All staff have copies of evacuation plans. These are also kept in the policies and procedures file.

Copies of fire evacuation plans are posted on the internal doors of classroom cupboards and the school office.

The fire alarm is tested weekly by the Site Manager and recorded in the Fire Manual, which is kept in the school office.

A fire drill is completed once a term. A record is kept in the Fire Manual which is kept in the school office.

A fire safety risk assessment is carried out by the Site Manager and the Health and Safety governor annually. A report is then presented to the governing body.

Systems and extinguishers are checked on a regular basis. This is recorded in the Fire Manual.

The Fire Safety Co-ordinator will be responsible for the upkeep of the Fire Manual.

The Fire Safety Policy will be reviewed annually.

#### **APPENDIX B**

#### **Evacuation Procedures**

The overall aim is to save life; therefore evacuation is of paramount importance. Staff are not expected to fight fire nor should they go back into the building.

Anyone discovering fire or smoke should raise the alarm by breaking the glass at the nearest alarm point.

Fire drills are carried out at least once a term and recorded in the Fire Certificate Log Book which is kept in the school office.

## On hearing the alarm:

Direct children to walk quietly to the nearest exit and then walk quietly in single file to the assembly points on the playground.

Ensure that the classroom is empty before leaving.

Everyone on site, children and adults, must leave by the nearest exit.

Office Manager will call the fire brigade.

Two designated members of staff will check the children's toilets are empty.

The admin staff will issue registers and check signing in book for roll call by class teachers at the assembly points. Site Manager will also unlock the playground gate to allow access for the fire brigade.

Class Teachers will check the registers against the children in the playground.

The Headteacher or designated member of staff will check that all adults and children are accounted for.

Classes should stand still and quiet until asked to re-enter the building.

NB: As the attendance register reflects the true number of children in school at the start of the morning or afternoon, it is important that it is completed quickly and accurately and then returned to the school office. Please ensure that children arriving after registration has taken place are reported to the school office.

Teachers should be mindful of any child that is later taken off site for illness or an appointment.

If any visitors are present the adult they are working with should ensure that they know what to do.

#### **APPENDIX C**

## If The Building Has To Be Evacuated During Lunchtime

On hearing the alarm:

Children walk quietly to the nearest exit and then walk quietly in single file to the assembly points on the small playground.

Everyone on site, children and adults, must leave by the nearest exit.

Admin. staff will call the fire brigade and check that the medical room is empty.

The admin staff will issue registers, check the signing in book and unlock the playground gate. Staff with the help of the Supervisory Assistants will carry out roll call at the assembly point.

The Headteacher or designated member of staff will check that all adults and children are accounted for.

**APPENDIX D** 

Nearest Alarm Points (map available in Site Manager's Office and at Fire Alarm Control Box)



#### **APPENDIX E**

<u>Critical Incident Planned Response</u> Road Traffic Accident involving Pupils/Accident during School Trips

#### Immediate action:

- Remove children from danger if possible/appropriate
- Contact emergency services
- Bring children home as soon as possible
- Obtain accurate information and inform school (uncertainty breeds rumour which adds to distress).

## Action as soon as possible:

The school (most likely the administrative office) will contact families of those involved. Contact lists are found in the school office. If you cannot get through just ask them to ring the school, do not leave a message.

If there is death or serious injury the police will inform parents (possibly with a member of staff).

Plan communications to and from school (e.g. use mobile/fax line as an outgoing line to leave main line free if it is expected that many parents will be trying to contact the school). If necessary there is a third line in the kitchen.

Give the same level of information to everyone, provision of a script is sensible. The Headteacher and Deputy Head will be responsible for drafting of a script.

The administrative office will make a careful note of those parents who still need to be informed. If support is required a designated support assistant will help.

The Headteacher will inform staff and pupils. (If sending a letter home give details of the facts, do not apportion blame). Pupils will probably best be told in classes. Only facts should be given, do not speculate on the causes and consequences.

School will contact the David Adams – Local Area Education Officer and Chair of Governors. The Headteacher or Deputy Head will inform the press office. Press or media will not be allowed onto school premises.

If there is need for an assembly point the school hall should be used. Refreshments would be made in the staff room by members of staff and brought to the hall. Staff toilets would be available for adults to use.

#### **APPENDIX F**

<u>Critical Incident Planned Response</u> Aggressive or Violent Incident in School (attack by aggressive parent or pupil)

All external doors can only be opened from the inside. The front gate and main entrance door lock can be activated by a switch in the office. If it is anticipated that an aggressive parent or intruder are on their way to school the gate and office door will be kept locked. If appropriate the police will be called.

However, on some occasions parents have entered the building and proceeded to demonstrate aggressive behaviour to teachers, often in front of pupils. If this is the case the following should be observed.

Remove children if possible.

Seek immediate help (ask a child to go to next door teacher).

Try to remain calm and ask aggressor if they would like to sit down to discuss the problem.

Staff going to aid the teacher should be accompanied by another adult.

They should remove the children if they are still present.

The headteacher should be informed.

If the situation is out of control the police should be called.

In extreme cases it may be necessary to use restraint procedures but this must not be done alone.

If the situation can be calmed and the aggressor leaves the premises, all doors must be locked.

The headteacher will inform the aggressor in writing of the expected code of behaviour in school and in extreme cases may forbid the parent from further contact with the teacher/school.

No comments will be given to the media and the press officer will be informed if necessary.

In the extreme case of a teacher or child being held hostage, all other children and staff must evacuate. The police must be immediately informed and will provide guidance.

#### **APPENDIX G**

<u>Critical Incident Planned Response - Disaster in the Community</u> (e.g. fire, explosion, major road accident, civil disturbance, terrorism)

#### Immediate action-

If this happens within the close proximity of the school it will be necessary to remove children from any danger (use evacuation procedures).

Contact emergency services.

If the site needs to be vacated – the school will evacuate to St John's Church.

If the incident happens outside of the immediate vicinity of the school accurate information should be obtained.

If the incident occurred outside of school hours accurate information should still be sought so that discussions in school can be based on fact.

## Action as soon as possible-

Inform children of the incident. This should be told simply and without fabrication.

Keep in coming phone line clear so that emergency services are able to provide updates.

If it is necessary to keep children behind after school, children will stay with their class teacher and parents informed accordingly. Emergency services will advise.

Attempt to stick to normal school routines as soon as possible.

#### Later action-

Give staff "Permission" to talk.

Head teacher / admin. officer to contact outside agencies where appropriate (e.g. EP's)

Encourage children to talk (may be necessary to hold a debriefing meeting led by an experienced outside professional).

Express sympathy (visit those who may be in hospital or bereaved).

Identify high risk pupils/staff

Monitor effects of all involved.

Organise treatment if necessary.

## Appendix H

## **ON-LINE ANNEXES AND REFERENCES**

**Annex 1:** Emergency Planning Guidelines for Kent Schools (Assistance with this document can be found on Kelsi)

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/running-a-school/maintenance-and-operations/emergency-planning

**Annex 2:** Guidance on First Aid for Schools – A Good Practice Guide Managing Medicines in Schools and Early Years Settings

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/risk-assessment

Annex 3: Incident/Accident Reporting

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/accident-reporting

Annex 4: COSHH Risk Assessments on Kelsi

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/chemicals-coshh

**Annex 5:** Inspection Proforma on Kelsi

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/management-of-health-safety

**Annex 6:** Fire Policy and other linked Documents <a href="http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/fire">http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/fire</a>

Annex 7: Heating Oil Storage and Management Checklist

http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/risk-assessment

**Annex 8:** Asbestos Policy and Docubox Contents <a href="http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/premises-and-contractor-management">http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/premises-and-contractor-management</a>

**Annex 9:** List of Hazardous Substances on the Premises <a href="http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/chemicals-cos">http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/chemicals-cos</a>

**Annex 10:** Health and Safety of Pupils on Educational Visits <a href="http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/curriculum-topics">http://www.kelsi.org.uk/policies-and-guidance/health-and-safety-guidance/curriculum-topics</a>

## Appendix I

## **Useful Contacts**

## **KCC Health and Safety Unit**

Health and Safety Advice Line: Tel: 03000 418456 Fax: 03000 420330

**Location:** Room 3.32 Sessions House, Maidstone, ME14 1XQ

#### **Outdoor Education Unit**

Tel: 03000 413971 Email: <a href="mailto:outdoor.education@kent.gov.uk">outdoor.education@kent.gov.uk</a>

Location: The Swattenden Outdoor Centre, Swattenden Lane,

Cranbrook, TN17 3PS

## Client Services - Caretaking, Cleaners and Waste Management

Janet Stein - Client Service Manager.

Tel: 03000 416050, Email: janet.stein@kent.gov.uk

Location: Room m2.33, Sessions House, Maidstone, ME14 1XQ

## **Insurance and Risk Management**

Darryl Mattingly - Insurance and Risk Manager.

**Tel:** 03000 416440, Email: <a href="mailto:darryl.mattingly@kent.gov.uk">darryl.mattingly@kent.gov.uk</a>
Location: Room 2.53 Sessions House. Maidstone. ME14 1XQ

#### **Staff Care Services**

Occupational Health, Mediation Services, and Support Line. Tel:

03000 411411 Email: occupational.health@kent.gov.uk

Location: Park House, 110-112 Mill Street, East Malling, ME19

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#### Classcare

Email: classcare.enquiries@kent.gov.uk Website: www.kent.gov.uk/property

Location: Room 1.44, Sessions House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XQ

## Property and Infrastructure Support -

Bill Ogden - Operational Services Manager - Tel: 03000 416526

Lynn Keeley - Maintenance / Statutory Team Manager - **Tel**: 07786 191664 Mark Carnt - Building Contracts Manager (East Kent) - **Tel**: 07920 538423

Steve Hamilton Statutory Services Manager (asbestos/legionella) - **Tel**: 07920 548911 Roger Aldridge - Mechanical & Electrical Stat. Compliance Manager - **Tel**: 07825 506627

KCC Property Service Desk.

**Tel:** 24 hours, 7 days per week: 03000 417878

Location: Contact Centre, Invicta House, County Hall, Maidstone, Kent, ME14 1XX

## **Health and Safety Executive**

Enforcement of Health and Safety Legislation.

**Tel:** 0845 345 0055 online reporting

https://extranet.hse.gov.uk/lfserver/external/F2508IE Location: Local office:

International House, Dover Place, Ashford, TN24 1HU

## **County Fire & Rescue Service**

Barry Healey, Station Manager – School Premises.

**Tel:** 01622 692121 Ext.7621

Location: Tunbridge Wells Fire Station, Grove Hill Road, Tunbridge Wells. TN1 1SD.