



Greenbank and Rooksdown Campus HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

Name of Responsible Manager / Headteacher:	Mr JDF Martin
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Castle Hill Primary School is on two campuses:
Greenbank Campus which has KS2 pupils
Rooksdown Campus which has EYFS, KS1 and KS2 pupils

STATEMENT OF INTENT

At Castle Hill Primary School, it is our policy to carry out our activities in such a way as to ensure so far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare of our employees and all persons likely to be affected by our activities including the general public where appropriate. We will co-operate and co-ordinate with partnerships, contractors, sub-contractors, employers, Hampshire County Council departments and the occupiers and owners of premises and land where we are commissioned to work in order to pursue our Health and Safety Policy aims.

Our aims are to:

- Provide and maintain a safe and healthy working environment ensuring the welfare of all persons
- Maintain control of health and safety risks arising from our activities
- Comply with statutory requirements as a minimum standard of safety
- Consult with all staff on matters affecting their health, safety and welfare
- Provide and maintain safe systems, equipment and machinery
- Ensure safe handling, storage and use of substances
- Provide appropriate information, instruction and supervision for everyone
- Ensure staff are suitably trained and competent to do their work safely
- Continually develop a safety culture to remove or reduce the possibility of accidents, injuries and ill-health
- Assess risks, record significant findings and monitor safety arrangements
- Review and revise safety policies and procedures periodically and when circumstances may introduce a requirement to amend or improve arrangements
- Develop and maintain a positive health and safety culture through regular communication and consultation with employees and their representatives on health and safety matters



Our health and safety management system has been developed to ensure that the above commitments can be met. All staff and governors will be instrumental in its implementation.

ORGANISATION

The current organisation chart is located here -> [Staff List](#)

Employer Responsibility

The overall responsibility for health and safety at Castle Hill Primary School; Greenbank and Rooksdown Campuses is held by **Headteacher Mr J D F Martin** who will:

- Ensure that health and safety has a high profile
- Ensure adequate resources for health and safety are made available
- Consult and advise staff regarding health and safety requirements & arrangements
- Periodically monitor and review local health and safety arrangements

Responsible Manager

The responsible manager for the premises is the **Premises Manager Mr P Ward** who will act to:

- Develop a safety culture throughout the school/premises
- Consult staff and provide information, training and instruction so that staff are able to perform their various tasks safely and effectively
- Assess and control risk on the premises as part of everyday management
- Ensure a safe and healthy environment and provide suitable welfare facilities
- Make operational decisions regarding health and safety
- Ensure periodic safety tours and inspections are carried out
- Ensure significant hazards are assessed and risks are managed to prevent harm
- Ensure staff are aware of their health and safety responsibilities
- Periodically update governing bodies as appropriate
- Produce, monitor and periodically review all local safety policies and procedures

All Staff (including volunteers)

All members of staff have a statutory obligation to co-operate with the requirements of this policy and to take care of their own health and safety and that of others affected by their activities by:

- Supporting the school health and safety arrangements
- Ensuring their own work area remains safe at all times
- Not interfering with health and safety arrangements or misusing equipment
- Complying with all safety procedures, whether written or verbally advised, for their own protection and the protection of those who may be affected by their actions
- Reporting safety concerns to their staff representative or other appropriate person
- Reporting any incident that has led, or could have led to damage or injury



- Assisting in investigations due to accidents, dangerous occurrences or near-misses
- Not acting or omitting to act in any way that may cause harm or ill-health to others

Premises Manager - Mr P Ward (Both Campuses)

Premises Officer – Mr J Tutton (Both Campuses)

Premises Officer – Mr M Nash (Rooksdown Campus)

The **Premises Manager** and occasionally under their direction the **Premises officers** are responsible for undertaking a wide range of typical health and safety related duties on behalf of, and under the direction of the **Headteacher**. He/she is to work within the parameters of any provided training and in accordance with risk assessments and the on-Premises safe working practices. He/she is to work within their level of competence and seek appropriate guidance and direction from the **Headteacher** and/or the Children's Services Health & Safety Team as required.

On-site Health & Safety Co-ordinator

The **Premises Manager** is the on-site health & safety co-ordinator at Castle Hill Primary school and will manage, provide advice and co-ordinate local safety matters on behalf of, and under the direction of the **Headteacher**. He/she is to work within their level of competence and seek appropriate guidance and direction from the **Headteacher** and/or the Children's Services Health & Safety Team as required.

All Teachers & Support Staff

The responsibility of applying local safety procedures on a day-to-day basis rests with the **teachers and support staff**. Where any new process or operation is introduced in the area of their responsibility, they are to liaise appropriately so that the associated risks are assessed and any precautions deemed necessary are implemented. They are to ensure that all new members of staff under their control are instructed in their own individual responsibilities with regards to health and safety, and they will appropriately monitor those new staff. They are to make periodic inspections of their areas of responsibility, taking prompt remedial action where necessary to control risk.

Health and Safety Committee

The purpose of the safety committee is to assist in the assessment of safety related matters and provide appropriate support to the responsible manager/headteacher. The safety committee is to periodically meet to monitor and discuss on-Premises health and safety performance, and recommend any actions necessary should this performance appear or prove to be unsatisfactory. Safety committee staff will be kept informed of all changes in practices and procedures, new guidance, accidents, incidents and risk related matters.

The safety committee consists of 1 **Governor** and 2 staff members, including the **Premises Manager** and the **School Business Manager** and they meet half termly and provide feedback to the school's full governing body on a termly basis.



Fire Safety Co-ordinator

The **Premises Manager** is the fire safety co-ordinator who is the competent person for fire safety on the premises and acts on behalf of the Headteacher. He/she is to attend the fire safety co-ordinator training course and refresh this training every three years. The fire safety co-ordinator is responsible for the local management and completion of day-to-day fire safety related duties and upkeep of the fire safety manual.

The fire safety co-ordinator is to work within their level of competence and seek appropriate guidance and direction from the **Headteacher** and/or the Children's Services Health & Safety Team and the Property Services Fire Team as required.

Facilities Management Trained Staff

The **Premises Manager** is the facility management trained member of staff who is the competent person for the overall management of general premises facilities and acts on behalf of the **Headteacher**. He/she is to attend the facilities management training course and refresh this training every six years. He/she is responsible for the local management and completion of day-to-day premises matters and duties. He/she is to work within their level of competence and seek appropriate guidance and direction from the **Headteacher** and/or the Children's Services Health & Safety Team as required.

Health & Safety Representative

The premises health and safety representative (member of the teaching staff – Ms R Willmouth) will represent the staff with regard to their health and safety at work. He/she is expected to promote a positive safety culture throughout the premises and carry out the health and safety duties appropriate to their role in accordance with current guidance and legislative requirements.

Heads of Year

The **Head of Year** (HoY) are responsible for the day-to-day local management of health and safety within their own area, acting on behalf of the headteacher. He/she will ensure that members of staff are provided with adequate safety information and they will manage all integral and specific risks relating to the department's functions. He/she will ensure that working areas comply with overall school policies and procedures; that all activities are periodically risk assessed, periodic inspections are carried out, and necessary controls are implemented. He/she will ensure that new members of the team receive the Staff Induction and coordinate with other team members who are responsible for delivering the different areas.

Legionella Competent Person

The **Premises Manager** is the nominated competent person for Legionella on the premises and acts on behalf of the **Headteacher** to provide the necessary competence to enable Legionella to be managed safely. He/she is to annually complete the Legionella e-learning course and all training records are to be retained.

The Legionella competent person will ensure that all periodic and exceptional recording, flushing, cleaning and general Legionella management tasks are correctly completed and recorded in accordance with departmental and corporate requirements. He/she will advise the **Headteacher** of any condition or situation relating to Legionella which may affect the safety of any premises users. He/she is to work within



their level of competence and seek appropriate guidance and direction from the responsible manager/headteacher and/or Property Services as required. The **School Business Manager** has also attended training to understand Legionella in schools and the responsibility the school has for managing it.

Asbestos Nominated Responsible Person

The **Premises Manager** is the nominated responsible person for asbestos on the premises and acts on behalf of the **Headteacher** to provide the necessary competence to enable asbestos to be managed safely in accordance with the Corporate Procedure.

The asbestos competent person will ensure that all members of staff have a reasonable awareness of asbestos management and dangers. He/she is to ensure that the appropriate staff are competent in the use of the asbestos register and that asbestos is managed in accordance with departmental and corporate requirements. He/she will advise the **Headteacher** of any condition or situation relating to asbestos which may affect the safety of any premises users. He/she is to work within their level of competence and seek appropriate guidance and direction from the **Headteacher** and/or the Children's Services Health & Safety Team as required.

Accident Investigator

The on-site trained accident investigators are the **School Business Manager** and the **Premises Manager** who will lead on all accident investigations in accordance with departmental and corporate procedures.

Heads of Year (HoY) – Complete risk assessments for any school trips, out of hours' performances or parent evenings, year group visitors etc.

ICT Lead – Complete risk assessments and training on moving of ICT and electrical equipment. Training of staff through e-learning. Distribute all appropriate literature to other members of teaching and administrative staff, including children's involvement in the risk assessment of using the equipment. Remove any faulty equipment and/or inform safety advisors of any perceived risk.

DT Subject Leaders – complete risk assessments and training on use of food preparation, including electrical and non-electrical equipment used to prepare food. Complete risk assessments on all other art and DT equipment and hazardous substances as COSHH or general risk assessments as appropriate. Distribute all appropriate literature to other members of teaching and administrative staff, including children's involvement in the risk assessment of using the equipment. Remove any faulty equipment and/or inform safety advisors of any perceived risk.

Science Subject Leaders – Complete risk assessments on all appropriate equipment and resources used in science experiments which could be a potential risk to children and adults. Distribute all literature, including Health and Safety points on all units of work which teaching staff should then involve the children in becoming aware of during their experiments. Remove any faulty equipment and/or inform safety advisors of any perceived risk.

PE Subject Leaders – Complete risk assessments and training on all equipment used in physical activities which could pose a potential risk to the users. Distribute all literature, including Health and Safety points on



all units of work which teaching staff should then involve the children in becoming aware of during their experiments. Remove any faulty equipment and/or inform safety advisors of any perceived risk.

ARRANGEMENTS

The following arrangements for health and safety have been developed in accordance with the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999. These arrangements set out all the health and safety provisions for **Castle Hill Primary School; Greenbank and Rooksdown Campus** and are to be used alongside other current school procedures & policies.

In carrying out their normal functions, it is the duty of all managers and staff to act and do everything possible to prevent injury and ill-health to others. This will be achieved in so far as is reasonably practicable, by the implementation of these arrangements and procedures.

Accident/Incident Reporting & Investigation

The on-site management, reporting and investigation of accidents, incidents and near misses are carried out in accordance with the corporate policy requirements.

Any accident, incident or injury involving staff, visitors, contractors, and the more serious accidents/incidents to children are to be reported and recorded via the online HCC Accident/ incident reporting system. If the paper version is completed, it will need to be added to the on-line system as soon as practical.

A copy of the completed online form is then automatically sent to Children's Services Health & Safety Team the person reporting the incident and the manager will receive a request to carry out an investigation and a link to record this on. The purpose and intended outcome of the investigation is to identify the immediate and underlying causes of the accident so as to be able to implement appropriate measures to prevent reoccurrence.

Minor accidents to pupils are to be recorded in the First Aid Incident Folders that are located in the first aid /medical rooms at both Premises. Any first aid treatment that is administered in the classrooms is to be recorded in the classroom First Aid Incident Folders.

The more serious accidents that are notifiable to the Health & Safety Executive (HSE) will be notified to the Children's Services Health & Safety Team for them to report. A copy of the form will then be created by CSHST and sent to the HSE.

The **Headteacher** will ensure that the governing body is appropriately informed of all incidents of a serious nature. All accident/incident reports will be monitored by the **Health and Safety Committee** for trend analysis in order that repetitive causal factors may be identified to prevent reoccurrences.

Premises hirers and community/extended service/third party users must report all incidents related to unsafe premises or equipment to the school, the **Premises Manager** will then appropriately report and investigate each incident. Incidents related to the user's own organised activities are to be reported by them in line with their own reporting procedures.



Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions

Arrangements regarding medicines are set out in the Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions Policy. A copy of the most up to date policy is stored on the drive in the policy folder under the current year.

Staff trained to administer medicine are:

Arrangements regarding medicines are set out in the Administration of Medicines Policy.

Allergies

We are a **nut free school**, due to the number of children we have with severe nut allergies who would require anaphylactic treatment if exposed to nuts. First aid trained members of staff are trained on how to administer anaphylactic medicine e.g. epipens.

Asbestos Management

Asbestos management on-site is controlled by the Nominated Responsible Person, the **Premises Manager**. The asbestos register as issued by the Asbestos Team at HCC is located in **Reception** at both campuses and is to be shown to all contractors who may need to carry out work on-site. Contractors must sign the register as evidence of sighting prior to being permitted to commence any work on-site.

The **Headteacher** and the Nominated Responsible Person, the **Premises Manager** must complete the asbestos checklist relevant to their role (one for each role) when they are appointed. Copies of these must be retained with the asbestos register.

Any changes to the premises' structure that may affect the asbestos register information will be notified to the Asbestos Team in order that the asbestos register may be updated accordingly.

Under no circumstances must staff drill or affix anything to walls that may disturb materials without first checking the register and/or obtaining approval from the nominated responsible person.

Any damage to any structure that possibly contains asbestos, which is known or identified during inspection, should be immediately reported to the **Headteacher** and the asbestos nominated responsible person who will immediately act to cordon off the affected area and contact the Asbestos Team for guidance. Any contractor suspected to be carrying out any unauthorised work on the fabric of the building should be immediately stopped from working and immediately reported to the **Headteacher** and asbestos competent person.

Child Protection & Safeguarding

Arrangements regarding child protection and Safeguarding are set out in the [Child Protection Policy](#) and [The Safeguarding Policy](#). Castle Hill adopts and modifies the Hampshire templates. These are updated annually

by the Designated Safeguarding Lead (DSL) Ms Willmouth and are located on the drive in the current year [policy folder](#) in the Induction Policies folder.

Community Users/Lettings/Extended Services

The **Premises Manager / Headteacher** will ensure that:

- Third parties and other extended service users operate under hire agreements
- A risk assessment for the activity is completed
- The premises are safe for use and is always inspected prior to, and after each use
- Means of general access and egress are safe for use by all users
- All provided equipment is safe for use
- Fire escape routes and transit areas are safe and clear of hazards
- Hirers/users are formally made aware of fire safety procedures and equipment

Contractors on Premises

It is recommended HCC registered contractors are always to be used for contractual work on the premises. Where non-HCC registered contractors may be required or selected for use then appropriate safe selection procedures are to be used to ascertain competence prior to engaging their services. The departmental CSAF-013 Safe Selection of Contractors Checklist is to be used to determine competence of non-HCC contractors who will require adequate risk assessments to demonstrate their safe working practices for specific work being undertaken.

All contractors must report to **Reception at both Campuses** where they will be asked to sign the contractors' book and asbestos register, and will also read the Premises health and safety leaflet as well as our safeguarding leaflet. Contractors will be managed by the **Premises Manager/Premises Officer** in the first instance and then by Reception staff in their absence. All contractors must be issued with the local written contractor induction brief that includes all relevant details of fire safety procedures & local safety arrangements. The **School Business Manager** and **Premises Manager** are the 'contractors on Premises' trained staff members.

Curriculum Activities

All safety management and risk assessments for curriculum-based activities will be carried out under the control of the relevant Heads of Department and subject teachers using the appropriate codes of practice and safe working procedural guidance for Design & Technology, Science, Music, Physical Education & Sport, Art, Swimming and Drama as issued by CLEAPSS, HIAS and Hampshire County Council. Heads of Department and the appropriate subject teachers will be responsible for local risk management and ensuring that maintenance of equipment and premises in their areas of the curriculum are managed safely following the appropriate guidance.

Display Screen Equipment



The **Premises Manager** is the DSE assessment trained member of staff. **All users** must complete the *display screen equipment e-learning course* every year without exception. This course can be accessed via individual ESS Lite Learning Zone.

All users must carry out periodic workstation assessments using CSAF-001 Workstation Assessment Form. Workstation assessments will be actioned as necessary by line managers and routinely reviewed at intervals not exceeding three years.

Electrical Equipment

The **Premises Manager / Head teacher** will ensure that:

- Only authorised and competent persons are permitted to install or repair equipment
- Where 13-amp sockets are in use, only one plug per socket is permitted
- Equipment is not to be used if found to be defective in any way
- Defective equipment is to be reported & immediately taken out of use until repaired
- All portable electrical equipment will be inspected/tested at intervals of 1 yr but will not exceed 3 yrs
- Equipment testing/inspection can only be carried out by a competent person.
- The competent person to be used are **Hooper Services**
- Private electrical equipment is not to be brought onto the premises or used unless its use is approved by management and it has been tested
- New equipment must be advised to the responsible manager/headteacher in order that it can be added to future PAT testing schedules
- Staff members wishing to use their mobile phone chargers at school must make them available for PAT testing when it is due to take place.

Any defective or suspected defective equipment, systems of work, fittings etc. must be reported in the defects folder which is located at each **Reception desk** and will be checked regularly by the **Premises Manager** and attended to as soon as possible.

Emergency Procedures

General emergency evacuation for non-fire related emergencies is to be carried out in accordance with the school emergency evacuation plan. The school has a fire emergency plan for fire related emergencies and an emergency evacuation plan for all non-fire emergencies.

All staff will receive a brief and/or a copy of the emergency evacuation plan at induction, and they will be periodically provided with updated information as the emergency evacuation plan is routinely reviewed and amendments are introduced.

Personal Emergency Evacuation Plans (PEEPs) are to be completed, provided and exercised for any vulnerable persons to be able to ensure safe, assisted evacuation in the event of an emergency incident.

Fire Safety

Arrangements regarding fire safety are set out in the Fire Safety Manual. The fire safety co-ordinator is the **Premises Manager** who is the competent person for fire safety on the premises and is the immediate point of contact for all fire safety related enquiries on Premises.

The **School Business Manager/Headteacher** will ensure through the fire safety co-ordinator that:

- All staff complete the mandatory *fire safety induction e-learning course* every year. This can be accessed via individual ESS Lite Learning Zone.
- Fire safety procedures are readily available for all staff to read
- Fire safety information is provided to all staff at induction and periodically thereafter
- Fire safety notices are posted in the key areas of the building close to the fire points
- Evacuation routes and assembly points are clearly identified
- Staff are aware of their own responsibilities for knowing the location of fire points and fire exits. They should also know the location of the assembly point in the event of fire
- All staff are familiar with the flammable potential of materials and substances that they use and exercise maximum care in their use, especially with those marked *flammable*
- Fire evacuation procedures, fire safety training and fire alarm testing as well as other emergency equipment are carried out in accordance with corporate guidance and the premises fire safety manual.
- The fire risk assessment is reviewed annually by the fire safety co-ordinator and amended as new hazards or required amendments are identified.

Actions to take if a fire is discovered

- Activate the nearest fire alarm call point
- Teachers on hearing the alarm will evacuate the children to the muster point on the **Lower Playground at GREENBANK and playground for ROOKSDOWN**
- Staff members who are responsible for selected children (PEEPs) will locate child and evacuate them to the muster point
- Fire Marshals will go to the fire marshal points located, collect a high viz vest and wear it before following the sweep procedure. Doors and windows will ideally be closed as they sweep before exiting and attending the muster point
- The Receptionists will gather the registers and head to the muster point where they will be handed out and a roll call taken by class teachers
- **Mr JDF Martin, Ms R Willmouth** or next **SMT member** will liaise with the fire brigade on arrival. At this point if any child/adult is missing or cannot be accounted for then that information is passed over so the fire brigade can conduct a search for the child/adult
- No one else is to re-enter the school until the all clear from the fire service is given.

First Aid



Arrangements regarding first aid provision are set out in the [First Aid Policy](#). The names and locations of the first aid trained staff on Premises are listed in the first aid policy and also clearly signposted around the school

First aid is never to be administered by anyone except first aid trained staff with in-date training certification, operating within the parameters of their training.

Footwear

Staff are advised to wear footwear that is suitable to the daily routines. Flip flops and slippers are not permitted as these have led to slips and falls in the past. Staff are to wear sensible footwear, e.g. trainers when carrying out more physical tasks e.g. PE lesson, moving furniture, bulb planting etc.

Hot Drinks

All hot drinks that are made in the staffroom will not leave unless they either have a silicon lid placed over them or are in a more suitable screw top container, this applies to all staff/visitors/volunteers and contractors. Staff members carrying out a break duty will only use a screw top container and nothing else.

General Equipment

All general equipment requiring statutory inspection and/or testing on Premises (*e.g. boilers, lifts, local exhaust ventilation, PE equipment, climbing apparatus*) will be inspected by appropriate competent contractors as provided by the term contractor under PBRS arrangements, or as locally arranged.

Equipment is not to be used if found to be defective in any way. Defective equipment is to be reported and immediately taken out of use until repairs can be carried out.

Glazing

Glass and glazing on Premises has been surveyed and risk assessed to ensure that it is suitable safety glass for the area in which the glazing is located; this includes taking account for the activities undertaken and types of children at the school. The survey and assessment are kept electronically on the drive in the [Glazing Survey](#) folder and is reviewed every three years or when there are changes to the premises.

Good Housekeeping

Tidiness, cleanliness and efficiency are essential factors in the promotion of good health and safety. The following conditions are to be adhered to at all times:

- All corridors and passageways are kept free from obstruction
- Shelves in storerooms and cupboards are stacked neatly and not overloaded
- Floors are kept clean and dry, and free from slip and trip hazards
- Emergency exits and fire doors are not obstructed in any way
- Supplies are stored safely in their correct locations
- Rubbish and litter are cleaned and removed at the end of each working day



- Poor housekeeping or hygiene conditions are immediately reported

Hazardous Substances

Hazardous substances, materials, chemicals and cleaning liquids are not permitted to be used or brought into use on Premises unless a documented COSHH assessment has been undertaken by the trained COSHH assessor, and the product has been approved for safe use on Premises by the **Headteacher**. The premises COSHH assessor acting on behalf of the head teacher is the **Premises Manager**.

When using a harmful substance, whether it is a material, cleaning fluid or chemical substance, staff must ensure that adequate precautions are taken to prevent ill-health in accordance with the COSHH assessment completed for that hazardous substance. Staff must never attempt to use a harmful substance unless adequately trained to do so, and then only when using the safe working practices and protective equipment identified in the COSHH assessment.

All hazardous substances are to be stored in the secure and signed storage when not in use which is located in a cupboard next to the plant room at Greenbank and in the outside Premises Officers cupboard at Rooksdown. This is to remain locked at all times.

Inspections and Monitoring

Daily monitoring of the premises, through working routines and staff awareness, is expected to identify general safety concerns and issues which should be immediately recorded in the premises defect book and reported to the **Premises Manager**.

Monitoring and inspections of individual areas will be carried out by HoYs and/or the subject teachers.

Routine documented inspections of the premises will be carried out every half term in accordance with the premises monthly inspection schedule. Inspection findings are to be recorded on the locally adapted CSAF-010 Premises Safety Inspection Checklist.

Defects identified during these routine documented inspections are to be immediately reported to the **Premises Manager** (*or term contractor*) and recorded in the defect book (located in **Reception** at Greenbank and the **Reception** at Rooksdown). Any identified high-level risks or safety management concerns are to be actioned at the earliest opportunity or if not possible, the reasons for this to be clearly stated and precautionary measures taken to mitigate the risks. These will be discussed at the triage meeting or Health and Safety Committee Meeting whichever happens first.

It is the schools responsibility that the termly H&S web monitoring form is completed by the **Premises Manager** and where feasible this will be done in conjunction with the **Health and Safety Committee**. This monitoring form will focus on different areas each term and is an integral part of the School and CSHST monitoring programmes.

Kitchens

The main kitchen area is only to be used by authorised staff in accordance with the identified safe working procedures. Authority and procedures for local management of the main kitchen rests with HC3S. Any persons not normally authorised but wishing to enter the kitchen area must gain approval prior to entry and must strictly adhere to the kitchen safe working practices.

Safe working procedures and authorised access for other kitchen areas, canteens, food preparation areas are managed by the **Headteacher** and DT Teacher.

Legionella Management

Legionella management on site is controlled by the Legionella competent person, the **Premises Manager** who will manage and undertake all procedures regarding Legionella in accordance with Hampshire County Council policy and guidance. Records of all related training, flushing, temperature monitoring, cleaning and defects are to be retained for auditing purposes.

Lone Working

Lone working increases the risks to the individual and as such needs to be kept to a minimum (both in terms of the frequency of lone working and the time spent undertaking the activity). To further reduce the risks lone workers should not undertake hazardous tasks whilst working alone, e.g.:

- Working at Height
- Using hazardous equipment/tools (i.e. hedge trimmers)

When lone working is undertaken it must only take place:

- With the **Headteacher's** approval
- And be in accordance with the Corporate Lone Working Procedure where staff have been appropriately categorised and control measures have been identified and put into place
- Please ensure a family member or friend is aware that you are going into school
- Please ensure the Premises Manager and/or your line manager are aware you are going into school

The lone working arrangements for staff who may undertake lone working on this Premises are located on the drive in the [Lone Working](#) folder.

Moving and Handling

All staff must complete the *moving and handling e-learning course* every year without exception. Staff are not permitted to regularly handle or move unreasonably heavy or awkward items, equipment or children unless they have attended specific moving and handling training and/or have been provided with mechanical aids in order to work safely.

Any significant moving and handling tasks are to be specifically risk assessed in order that training requirements and mechanical aids can be accurately determined to ensure that the task is carried out safely. The **Premises Officer/Premises Manager** is expected to undertake regular physical work which would typically include significant moving and handling, so therefore he/she must attend a formal moving and handling course specific to the work requirements.



Off-Site Activities

Arrangements regarding off-Premises activities are managed in accordance with the Outdoor Education Service's procedures and guidance.

Physical Intervention

Arrangements regarding physical intervention are set out in the [Physical Intervention Policy](#).

Provision of Information

The **Headteacher** will ensure that information systems are established so that staff and governors are periodically provided with information regarding safety arrangements on the premises. These systems are **weekly staff meetings, SMT meetings, Governors meetings (& associated meeting minutes), e-mail distribution, School Communications from HCC, signature based receipt of information.**

Local health and safety advice is available from the **Premises Manager** and the Children's Services Health & Safety Team can provide both general and specialist advice.

The *Health and Safety Law* poster is displayed in the **Staff Room at both Campuses.**

Risk Assessment

General risk assessment management will be co-ordinated by the **Premises Manager** in accordance with guidance contained in the Children's Services Safety Guidance.

Risk assessments must be undertaken for all areas where a significant risk is identified or a possibility of such risk exists e.g. trips, volunteer groups, summer fayre, disco, etc

The **Premises Manager** is the trained risk assessor on Premises who will oversee the correct completion of risk assessments as appropriate. Risk assessments will be carried out by those staff with the appropriate knowledge and understanding in each area of work.

All risk assessments and associated control measures are to be approved by the **Headteacher** or their delegated member of staff prior to implementation.

Completed risk assessments are listed in the Risk Register which is located on drive in the [Risk Assessment](#) folder and will be reviewed periodically in accordance with each risk assessment's review date as listed for review in the premises bring-up diary system.

Security



Arrangements regarding security are based on the premises security risk assessment and are set out in the on-site security policy & procedures which include emergency unlock routines. A copy of the most up to date policy is stored on the drive in the policy folder under the [current year](#).

Smoking

Smoking is not permitted on the premises. For the purposes of this policy smoking includes e-cigarettes/vaporizers.

If you smoke then you will need to go off the premises and away from any school entrances ensuring that nothing is worn that identifies you as being a Castle Hill Primary School member of staff. Smoking is only permitted during break times.

Contractors are informed of the policy before starting work on site and will be monitored by the Premises manager.

Stress & Wellbeing

Castle Hill Primary School is committed to promoting high levels of health and wellbeing and recognises the importance of identifying & reducing workplace stressors.

Stress management through risk assessment and appropriate consultation with staff will be periodically reviewed and acted upon in accordance with the Children's Services' and Health & Safety Executive's Management Standards, guidance and requirements.

On-site arrangements to monitor consult and reduce stress situations are managed via staff meetings and through the encouragement of a work life balance.

Traffic Management

Arrangements regarding on-site traffic safety are based on the findings from the traffic on-site checklist and are set out in the Traffic Management Plan, which is located on the drive in the H&S folder under

These measures have then been shared with staff and the relevant provisions communicated to parents/visitors.

Training

Health and safety induction training will be provided and recorded for all new staff/volunteers in accordance with the New Staff Induction Checklist.

The **responsible manager/Headteacher** is responsible for ensuring that all staff/volunteers are provided with adequate information, instruction and training regarding their safety at work. A training need analysis will be carried out from which a comprehensive health and safety training plan will be developed and maintained to ensure health and safety training is effectively managed for all staff who require it.

All staff will be provided with following as a minimum training provision:

- Induction training regarding all the requirements of this health and safety policy
- Appropriate local training regarding risk assessments and safe working practices
- Updated training and information following any significant health and safety change
- Specific training commensurate to their own role and activities
- Periodic refresher training that will not exceed three yearly intervals
- Appropriate annual e-learning courses to individual ESS Lite Learning Zone

Training records are held by the **School Business Manager** who is responsible for co-ordinating all health and safety training requirements, maintaining the health and safety training plan, and managing the planning of refresher training for all staff.

Violent Incidents

Violent, aggressive, threatening or intimidating behaviour towards staff, whether verbal, written, electronic or physical, will not be tolerated at Castle Hill Primary School.

Staff must report all such violent and aggressive incidents to ensure that there is an awareness of potential issues and/or injuries, and so as to enable incidents to be appropriately investigated so that reasonable actions may be taken to support those involved and reduce the risk of similar incidents occurring in the future.

Violent incident reporting is completely confidential. Violent and aggressive incidents are to be reported using incident reporting system.

Visitors

All visitors must initially report to the main reception where they will be provided with the key health, safety and fire safety information to enable them to act appropriately and safely in the event of an incident.

Visitors to the premises will be asked to sign in the Visitors Book and be presented with a visitors badge and an information leaflet on the schools safety procedures.

Vulnerable Persons

Where there are vulnerable persons (young, pregnant, those with a disability, those with temporary or permanent medical conditions etc.) working or visiting the premises, a risk assessment will be completed and appropriate procedures implemented to ensure their health, safety and welfare whilst on Premises.

Work at Height

Work at height is always to be undertaken in accordance with the Corporate Policy on Work at Height. At Castle Hill Primary School general work at height will be undertaken in accordance with the on-Premises



generic risk assessment for work at height which identifies general requirements and safe working practices. Specific or higher risk tasks will be carried out in accordance with a specific risk assessment for that task.

The Premises Manager is the competent person for work at height on the premises who has attended the Premises Officer Support Service Ladder & Stepladder Safety half-day course and he/she is authorised to:

- Use steps, stepladders and leaning ladders in accordance with their training
- Provide step stool instructional training briefs to staff
- Provide stepladder and steps training to staff using the Children's Services *Stepladder & Steps Safety* user training presentation
- Carry out periodic inspections of all on-Premises ladders, stepladders and podium steps
- Remove access equipment from use if defective or considered inappropriate for use

The competent person for work at height and all other staff are not permitted to use any other access equipment for work at height without specific training. This includes the use of scaffolding, mobile towers and mobile elevated work platforms.

Children's Services staff will not be permitted to work on roofs, unless they have suitable edge protection and safe access arrangements.

Work at height on the premises is only permitted to take place under the following conditions:

- Any work to be carried out at height must be underpinned by a risk assessment
- Access equipment selected for work at height must be selected by the competent person and only used as specified in the risk assessment
- Any staff working at height must be appropriately trained to use the access equipment
- Staff are not to improvise or use alternative access methods of their own choice
- Use of any furniture, including tables and chairs, is **forbidden** for any work at height
- Staff may only use step stools if they have received a local instructional training brief
- Staff may only use stepladders if they have attended the Ladder stepladder training or have received training from the ladder and stepladder competent person (using the CSHST Ladder presentation).
- Staff may only use leaning ladders if they have personally attended the Premises Officer Support Service Ladder & Stepladder Safety half-day course within every three years
- Any safety concerns about a work at height task must be raised prior to work starting
- Access equipment used on Premises such as ladders and stepladders must only be that provided and are never to be lent to, or borrowed from third parties or contractors
- Contractors working at height are to be appropriately supervised and must only use their own access equipment