

THIS IS THE HEALTH AND SAFETY STATEMENT OF

West Heselton CE Primary School

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“Children are at the centre of all we do”

We encourage everyone in our school community to live life well reflecting Christian attitudes and values and working in partnership with families as part of a wider, caring community.

The hallmarks of a Christian life lived well are shown in the fruits of the Spirit – But the fruit of the Spirit is Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-control. Against such things there is no law. Galatians 5:22 – 23

Our statement of intent is:

- Implement the requirements of NYC's Health and Safety Policy;
- to make adequate arrangements for the health, safety and welfare of staff and pupils;
- to provide adequate control of health and safety risks arising from our work activities;
- to consult with our employees on matters affecting their health and safety;
- co-operate with NYC in matters related to health and safety;
- to provide and maintain safe plant and equipment;
- to ensure safe handling and use of substances;
- to provide clear instructions, information, and supervision for employees;
- to ensure all employees are competent to do their tasks, and to give them adequate training;
- to prevent accidents and cases of work-related ill health;

- to maintain safe and healthy working conditions;
- provide personal protective equipment;
- implement emergency procedures, including evacuation in case of fire or other significant incident; and
- to review and revise this policy as necessary at regular intervals.

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

RESPONSIBILITIES

Overall responsibility for health and safety within the establishment is that of:

Mrs Rachel Wells (Head Teacher)

Mrs Lou Todd and Mr Dave Shackley (Chairs of Governors)

Day-to-day responsibility for ensuring this policy is put into practice:

Mrs Rachel Wells (Head Teacher)

To ensure health and safety standards are maintained/improved, the following people have responsibility in the following areas:

Name: Mr Ian Pennock

Responsibility: Health & Safety Governor

All employees have to:

- co-operate with supervisors and managers on health and safety matters;
- not interfere with anything provided to safeguard their health and safety;
- take reasonable care of their own health and safety and of others; and
- report all health and safety concerns to an appropriate person (as detailed in this policy statement).

The school has appointed a designated competent person as required by Regulation 7 of the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999. The designated competent person is:

**Dale Barton NYES Health and Safety Service
07788 564533**

ORGANISATIONAL CHART

West Heslerton CE Primary School Staffing Structure April 2026

All staff employed directly by school

Headteacher		
Badger Wood class teacher	Keeper Wood class teacher	Farthing Wood class teacher
Advanced Teaching Assistant	Advanced Teaching Assistant	Advanced Teaching Assistant
General Teaching Assistant	General Teaching Assistant	
General Teaching Assistant		

Relief staff cover classroom roles above when required

French Teacher	Music Teacher
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Wraparound care roles

After School Childcare Forest School Leader	After School Childcare Forest School Leader	Before School Childcare Leader	Before School Childcare Leader
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Other support roles

Administrative Officer	Administrative Assistant	Librarian
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HEALTH AND SAFETY RISKS ARISING FROM OUR WORK ACTIVITIES

Risk assessments will be undertaken by:

Mrs Rachel Wells and the staff member undertaking activity

The findings of the risk assessments will be reported to:

All staff

Action required to remove/control risks will be approved by:

Mrs Rachel Wells and the staff member undertaking activity

The person responsible for ensuring the action required is implemented is

Mrs Rachel Wells and the staff member undertaking activity

Checks that the implemented actions have removed/reduced the risks will be carried out by:

Mrs Rachel Wells and the staff member undertaking activity

Assessments will be reviewed:

In the event of an accident, annually or when the work activity changes, whichever is soonest.

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CONSULTATION WITH EMPLOYEES

Employee Representative(s) are:

N/A

Consultation with employees is provided by:

Agenda item on staff weekly meetings

Staff briefing and noticeboard

Training Days

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SAFE PLANT AND EQUIPMENT

Identifying equipment/plant, which will need maintenance is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering

Ensuring effective maintenance procedures are drawn up is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering

The person responsible for ensuring that all identified maintenance is implemented is:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering

Problems with plant/equipment should be reported to:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering

Checking plant and equipment health and safety standards before purchase is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering

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SAFE HANDLING AND USE OF SUBSTANCES

Identifying substances which need a COSHH assessment is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering
Grounds Maintenance

The person(s) responsible for undertaking COSHH assessments is/are:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering
Grounds Maintenance

Ensuring that all actions identified in the assessments are implemented is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering
Grounds Maintenance

The person responsible for ensuring that relevant employees are informed about COSHH assessments is:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering
Grounds Maintenance

Checking that substances can be used safely before they are purchased is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Property Solutions
NYES Cleaning
NYES Catering
Grounds Maintenance

Assessments will be reviewed:

In the event of an accident, annually or when the work activity changes, whichever is soonest.

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INFORMATION, INSTRUCTION AND SUPERVISION

The Health and Safety Law poster is displayed at:

Staff Room

Supervision of young workers and trainees will be arranged/ undertaken/monitored by:

Mrs Rachel Wells

Ensuring that our employees working at locations under the control of other employers, are given relevant health and safety information is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells

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COMPETENCY FOR TASKS AND TRAINING

Induction training will be provided for all employees by:

Local SLT Induction
Mrs Rachel Wells

Job specific training will be provided by:

NYC training dept.
Mrs Rachel Wells
NYES Health and Safety Service

Health and Safety Training Requirements:

Asbestos/Legionella training

First Aid training

Fire Awareness / Fire Warden training

Working at Height / Safe Ladder use

Manual handling

Educational Visit Training

Training records are kept:

In Health & Safety Document Management file

Training will be identified, arranged and monitored by:

Mrs Rachel Wells

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ACCIDENTS, INCIDENTS, FIRST AID AND WORK-RELATED ILL HEALTH

Locations of First Aid Boxes:

**Classrooms
Hall
Kitchen**

The first aiders are:

All staff are emergency aid trained

All accidents and cases of work-related ill health are to be recorded in the accident book. The book is kept:

In the office

The person responsible for reporting accidents, diseases and dangerous occurrences to the NYC Health and Safety section is:

Mrs Rachel Wells

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MONITORING

To check our working conditions, and ensure our safe working practices are being followed, we will undertake:

Legionella testing
Asbestos inspection
Termly Visual H & S inspection
Establishment Hands Service Inspection
PAT testing
Fixed appliance electrical testing
Extraction fans maintenance
NYES Property Solutions Condition Survey
Prioritised programme of risk assessment
Boiler room annual inspection
Gulleys and Gutters checked and cleaned
Pest control
Sports and Gym equipment maintenance

The person responsible for investigating accidents is:

Mrs Rachel Wells

The person responsible for investigating work-related causes of sickness absences is:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYC Occupational health

The person responsible for acting on investigation findings to prevent a recurrence is:

Mrs Rachel Wells
NYC Occupational health

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ASBESTOS RISK MANAGEMENT

The Responsible Officer for asbestos management is:

Mrs Rachel Wells

The Asbestos Risk Management file is kept in:

Admin Office

Site plans showing the location of asbestos containing materials (ACM's) are kept in:

Admin Office

Ensuring that contractors are made aware of the location of ACM's and that they sign the relevant permit to work is the responsibility of:

Mrs Rachel Wells and the Establishment Administrator

Asbestos risk assessments will be undertaken by:

Mrs Rachel Wells

Visual inspections of the condition of ACM's will be undertaken by:

Mrs Beata Gazso, Caretaker.

Records of the above inspections will be kept in:

Admin Office

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LEGIONELLOSIS MINIMISATION

The two 'Nominated Persons' for Water Management at the premises are:

Mrs Beata Gazso, Caretaker.
Mrs Rachel Wells

Risk assessments detailing on-site tasks for the minimisation of *Legionellosis* risk are kept in:

Water Management Arrangements Folder

The person responsible for carrying out the on-site tasks set out in the above assessments is:

NYES Cleaning and Catering

Record showing that the above on-site tasks have been undertaken are kept in:

Water Management Arrangements Folder

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WORK AT HEIGHT

All work at height in the establishment must be authorised by:

Mrs Rachel Wells

Risk assessments for working at height are to be completed by:

Mrs Rachel Wells and all members of staff

Equipment used for work at height is to be checked by and records kept in:

Establishment Governor

Establishment Management File

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MANUAL HANDLING

All manual handling tasks in the establishment must be authorised by:

Mrs Rachel Wells

Risk assessments for manual handling tasks are to be completed by:

Mrs Rachel Wells and all members of staff

Equipment used for manual handling is to be checked by and records kept in:

Establishment Governor

Establishment Management File

Risk assessments for manual handling tasks are to be completed by:

Mrs Rachel Wells and all members of staff

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EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Off-site educational visits must be authorised by:

NYC, Mrs Rachel Wells and Governors

The Educational Visits Co-ordinator(s) is/are:

Mrs Rachel Wells

Risk assessments for off-site visits are to be completed by:

Group Leader

NYC Policy, Procedures & Guidance for Educational Visits are kept in:

Network

Details of off-site activities are to be logged onto Evolve by:

Member of staff leading the visit.

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EMERGENCY PROCEDURES – FIRE AND EVACUATION

The person responsible for ensuring that the fire risk assessment is undertaken and implemented is:

Mrs Rachel Wells

Escape routes are checked by/every:

All staff

Daily

Fire extinguishers are maintained and checked by/every:

Walker Fire
Visually Inspected

Annually
Termly

Alarms are tested by/every:

Mrs S Mitchell and Mrs Kate Scott
Monks

Weekly
Bi-Annually

Emergency evacuation will be tested:

Termly

APPENDICES

List here any other policies relevant to health and safety e.g. *Medicines Policy, Educational Visits Policy etc.*

CYPS Policy and Guidance Handbook
Emergency Response Guide
Safeguarding Policy
Safeguarding Audit
Stay Safe Procedure
Disaster Recovery Procedure
Educational Visits Policy
Display Screen Equipment Risk assessments
Emergency Procedures
Fire Safety Procedure
First Aid and Medicines Procedures
First Aid at Work Procedure
Intimate Care Policy
Lettings Procedure
Snow and Ice Gritting Plan
Use of Chemicals at Work Procedure
Sun safety policy
Risk assessment file