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Pupil Supervision and Lost & Missing Children Policy

Policy Folder: Operations

1 Introduction

1.1 Clifton Lodge takes seriously its responsibility to ensure that pupils are always supervised properly to ensure their safety while on school premises or on out of school visits. Staff who supervise are mindful of our safeguarding and our health and safety requirements. This policy applies to all year groups.

1.2 This policy applies to all children, including those in the early years.

2 Working Day

2.1 The school day is as follows:

Age range	Timings
Nursery/Reception	8.30am-3.30pm (entry from 8am, after school care to 6pm)
Years 1 & 2	8.30am-3.45pm (entry from 8am, after school care to 6pm)
Years 3-6	8.30am-4.00pm (entry from 8am, after school care to 6pm)

3 Start of Day Arrangements

3.1 When pupils arrive at school, they are expected to:

EYFS – Go straight to their classrooms where they are greeted by a member of staff.

Years 1 to 6 – Drop their bags in their classrooms and go out to the playground. Teachers will collect their class from the playground when the bell is rung at 8.30am.

If a child is absent without the school being notified, the parents will be called by 9.30am

3.2 Before school, the following supervision arrangements are in place: A playground supervision rota ensures a member of staff is on duty from 8.00am.

4 Break Time Arrangements

4.1 During break, the following arrangements are in place: Pupils are supervised in the playground. The playground is partially covered to allow outside play in all weathers.

5 Lunch Time Arrangements

5.1 During lunch, the following arrangements are in place:

There are staggered lunches beginning at 12.00pm with Nursery & Reception, 1.00pm setting for years 3-4, 1.30pm setting for years 5-6.

5.2 During lunch, the following supervision arrangements are in place: children are supervised in the lunch-hall by members of staff and in the playground by the playground supervisor (supported by members of staff in EYFS).

6 End of School Day Arrangements

6.1 Pupils are expected to leave the premises as follows:

Nursery & Reception – 3.30pm, collected from the side door.

Years 1 & 2 – 3.45pm, collected from the main entrance.

Years 3 & 4 – 4.00pm, collected from the side door.

Years 5 & 6 – 4.00pm, collected from the main entrance.





On Monday to Thursday, when school clubs are running, children in Years 1 & 2 upwards who are attending a club remain in school and are supervised in the playground until 4.00pm/4.15pm when clubs start. Clubs end promptly at 4.45pm/5.15pm. Any children not collected will go into after school care and a charge will be incurred. Parents will be contacted and informed that the child is in ASC as soon as the child is registered there.

Pupils in EYFS or other years when clubs are not available, may attend after school care until 6pm each day (charges are incurred).

No pupils may be in any other area of the school site unless under the direct supervision of an authorised adult

- 6.2 Schools will support any court orders in place, in relation to collection of children and contact arrangements. Should a parent who is due to collect their child according to the order not arrive, then the school will telephone them initially. If schools fail to make contact within 30 minutes, the school will call the other parent and request they collect their child. Should a parent, who is not due to collect their child arrive at the school with the aim of collection, then the parents will be advised to make agreed arrangements. This communication will take place off site (see Safeguarding Policy)
- 6.3 For pupils travelling home alone; Pupils in year 6 may travel home alone if their parents have completed and submitted the Permission to Travel Home Alone Form

7 Non-Collection Arrangements at End of Formal School Day

- 7.1 If a pupil is not collected from school by the end of the school day and are not registered for a club, the pupil will go into after school care (a charge will be incurred).
- 7.2 The following procedure will be followed when a pupil is not collected: If children are not collected by 6pm, the parent/s will be called and a late fee incurred. If contact has not been achieved with parents or the emergency contact then the London Borough of Ealing Children's Social Care will be contacted.



8 After School Activities

8.1 When attending an after-school activity, pupils are supervised by authorised adults. The facilitator will collect younger children and take them to the classroom where the club is being held. Older children can play in the playground until the club is due to start and they make their own way to the classroom. The adult facilitating the after-school activity is responsible for taking a register at the activity. If a child goes home and does not arrive as expected, the school office will initially check the sign out registers. This indicates if a child has been collected by parents – P, is attending a club – C, is attending after school care – ASC. If parents have not collected the child, the school office will contact parents/carers. Parents of Year 6 pupils may request that their child walks home unaccompanied. The school will only allow this if written permission has been received from the parent or guardian. Pupils walking home alone are expected to leave the school premises promptly at the end of the day and follow all safety guidance. If a Year 6 child is attending a club after school and will be walking home alone afterwards, parents must complete and sign the Parent Consent Form for Pupils Travelling Home Alone. This form must specify that the child is permitted to leave independently following the club. Copies of the completed form will be distributed to all relevant staff to ensure they are aware of which Year 6 children are authorised to walk home alone after a club.

8.2 No pupil should leave without the authorisation of the adult leading the activity.

8.3 The following procedure will be followed when a pupil is not collected by their parents/carers at the end of the After School Activity: See 7.2 above.

9 Sporting Fixtures

9.1 PE staff supervise students when at fixtures-a minimum of 2 staff members are present in case of emergencies, illnesses, or other events where one staff member has to supervise, and another has to look after an individual child.

9.2 Parents are always informed of the finish times and where they must collect their children.

9.3 No pupil should leave the sporting fixture and the supervision of the staff member without their authorisation and their handover to their parent supervised.

9.4 No staff member must leave the sporting fixture without checking that all children have been safely collected; routine checks of changing areas must be conducted.

9.5 The following procedure will be followed when a pupil is not collected: see point 7.2 above.



10 Travel to and from School on Buses

10.1 Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children travel safely to and from school. Pupils are not supervised by school staff when travelling on buses and they are expected to behave responsibly and to follow the driver's instructions. This includes wearing a seat belt at all times.

10.2 The Headteacher reserves the right to prohibit a specific pupil from travelling on school sponsored transport if their behaviour does not meet the required standard.

11 Leaving the Site during the School Day

11.1 It is expected that all pupils will be on site for the entire day unless they have specific permission to leave.

12 Supervision Duties

12.1 All members of the staff are expected to take their share of break and lunchtime supervisory duties. For more information on staff duties, please see the duty rota.

12.2 All classes will be supervised by the relevant teacher and in certain subjects, for example food, art and science; the teacher may be supported by a technician.

12.3 Pupils will never be in classrooms without a member of staff supervising them. Following a lesson: the last pupil will leave the classroom and then the supervising member of staff will check that all pupils have left before leaving the room themselves.

13 Supervision during PE Lessons, including Changing Arrangements

13.1 PE lessons are supervised by members of the teaching staff. When older pupils are changing or showering, teachers must be mindful of both their responsibility for appropriate supervision and the need for a pupil's privacy, with due regard for the Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy. Staff will only enter the changing facilities where they believe **not** to do so may place a child at risk. Younger children e.g., those under aged 7 years, and those with SEND may require full supervision or support with changing, undertaken by two teachers being present.

14 Medical Support

14.1 There is a qualified first aider on duty from 8.00am to 6.00pm every day. They are available to administer first aid, to help if someone is ill or injured, and to deal with any accidents or emergencies. A pupil who feels unwell during the day should report to the school office. EYFS pupils are initially treated in their classrooms by paediatric first aiders.

15 Supervision in Remote Locations

15.1 Some potentially dangerous areas of the school are out of bounds to unsupervised pupils. These include science laboratories and the grounds, maintenance, catering and caretaking areas of the school.





For Educational Visits – please see Educational Visits policy.

16 Lost or Missing Children

16.1 In the instance that a child is lost or missing whilst on the school site we will follow the following procedure:

If a teacher suspects that a child is missing from a lesson or activity, they will contact the nearest member of SLT and school office immediately.

All remaining children will be kept safe in a secure place with adequate adult supervision including assistance from other school staff if necessary.

A full headcount will be taken the teacher in charge and matched against the register; usually the class teacher or nominated person.

A senior member of staff will make a thorough search of the building and/or site and immediate surroundings including storage areas and toilets. A thorough check of all exits will be made, to ensure all gates/doors are locked and there is no other way a pupil could have left the site. If something is discovered, the SLT member must be immediately informed.

The following lists held in the school office will be checked; attendance register, off site records and other school clubs.

If the child is not found after this initial search and/or approximately 10 minutes from the initial report of them deemed missing, the school office will inform the Head and Director of Education, including where a child is found wandering or at risk of being lost or missing. The designated safeguarding officer in school will be notified immediately and they will ensure that the parents have been informed by the responsible teacher. The Head, or SLT member in the absence of the Head, will decide at which point the police will be called.

All relevant emergency contacts for children will be used to inform parents/carer(s) accordingly. However, until such time as the child is safely returned to the care of the parent/carer(s), the Head remains responsible for the care and welfare of the child, including off site.

As soon as is practicable, the Serious Incident Reporting Form (SIRF) will be completed by the Head and sent to the PA to the Head of Facilities. The visit leader (off site) or responsible form/class teacher will make a contemporaneous record to provide full details of the incident on medical tracker. A note will also be made on the school's attendance register accordingly.

Near misses will also be recorded and reported to the Director of Education and details fully provided in writing to the school's safeguarding governance committee (SGC). This report must outline the steps being taken to avoid any repeat incident, communication with parents and actions to be taken following the risk assessment process to mitigate future risk. Any





relevant policy and procedure must be reviewed by the school and submitted to UK compliance committee for approval, via Head of Education Compliance.

All incidents will be reported to the Head of Facilities, Head Office, for the attention of our insurers, as appropriate. Staff must try to remember to write down a description of what the child was wearing and any distinguishing features.

If a missing child has any special medical or learning needs then these need to be noted to be disclosed to the police or other agencies.

A thorough search of the premises should continue until the child is found.

Following the Incident

It is in everyone's interest to resolve what has happened as quickly as possible, consistent with a fair and thorough investigation.

The written findings of the investigation must be reported by the Head to Head Office within 48 hours of the occurrence of the incident.

Local authority children's social care should be informed of any missing child in the early years and our usual local authority safeguarding and child protection arrangements followed.

All relevant policies and procedures will immediately be reviewed and revisions presented formally to the Director of Education for approval within 5 working days.

The parent/carer(s) will be involved at all times.

Following receipt of our investigative report, the Director of Education will report his conclusions as to the next steps to further safeguard and promote the welfare of children in the care of the school to the UK compliance committee.

Where the parent/carer(s) remain concerned despite reassurances informally by the school, they may choose to use the school's complaints procedure accordingly.

- 16.2 In the instance that a child is thought to be lost or missing on whilst off-site we will follow the following procedure:
The visit leader must ensure the safety of remaining pupils. At least two adults must stay with them.

One or more adults should immediately start to search for the child.





If the child is not found within 5 minutes, the visit leader must then contact the police by telephoning 999 (within the UK or similar equivalent number if overseas).

The visit leader should alert the school office, or in the case of out-of-hours, the nominated school contact for the trip, that the police have been contacted. The school will make arrangements to notify the parents accordingly. The remaining procedures outlined above in section 16.1 will then be followed.



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