

**HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY** 

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### Incorporating the Local Health and Safety Arrangements for:

- Name of School- Moorside CP Academy
- Category of School- Primary
- School Number- 08503
- School Address- Back Lane, Skelmersdale WN8 9EA

This policy is based on the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 and associated Health and Safety and other Legislation. It should be read in conjunction with the Lancashire County Council's Health and Safety Management System which is held on the School's Portal.

As an academy school the Governing Body is the employer and is responsible for the use of the premises. The Headteacher is responsible for the implementation and management of health, safety and welfare within the school. The Governing Body and the Headteacher should work in partnership to meet these responsibilities.

As the person(s) with responsibility for the implementation and management of proper health and safety controls within the school, I/we will, as far as is reasonably practicable:

- provide adequate control of the health and safety risks arising from our work activities;
- provide and maintain safe plant and equipment;
- ensure all employees are competent to do their tasks and ensure the provision of adequate training;
- maintain safe and healthy working conditions;
- ensure safe handling and use of substances;
- review and revise this policy and arrangements as necessary at regular intervals, and, as a minimum, following each 5 yearly review by the county council;

- consult with employees on matters affecting their health and safety;
- provide information, instruction and supervision for employees;
- prevent accidents and cases of workrelated ill health;
- comply with appropriate directions given by the county council on health and safety requirements;
- act in accordance with the relevant provisions in the Scheme for Financing Schools in Lancashire and the School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document".

Signed:	Signed:
	On behalf of the Governing Body

Headteacher's name: Richard Davis	Chair of Governors name: Damien Farrelly
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Date:	Proposed Review date: November 2022

### **Responsibilities**

The responsibility for implementation and	Name & Designation
management of proper health and safety controls within the school is that of (e.g. Headteacher):	Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
The delegated member of staff with day-to-day responsibility for ensuring this policy is put into practice is (e.g. School Business Manager, Health & Safety Co-ordinator etc):	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
To ensure health and safety standards are maintained/improved, the following people have responsibility in their specific areas e.g. premises issues, fire safety and other emergencies, out-of-hours arrangements, educational visits:	Names & Designations e.g. Premises – G Murray, Site Manager Fire Safety – R.Davis Emergency Plans – R.Davis Educational Visits – R.Gittins etc
The Health & Safety objectives for the school (as identified by accident/incident investigation, consultation, review of risk assessments, health & safety management support and audit visits; advice from the county council etc. or other sources e.g. DfE, Teachers.Net, other schools, the HSE) will be developed and monitored by:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site supervisor)
The documented Health & Safety objectives and any associated action plan(s) can be found:	Within the School Development Plan and in the minutes of Governors or Staff meetings.
Note: Any actions arising from those objectives should be documented e.g. as an action plan, and monitored to ensure they are achieved. All employees within the school have a responsib	Staff room Shared at meetings

All employees within the school have a responsibility to:

- 1. Co-operate with the Headteacher and his/her nominated representatives on all matters relating to health and safety;
- 2. Not interfere with anything provided to safeguard their health and safety;
- 3. Take reasonable care of their own health and safety, and not knowingly place anyone who may be affected by their work activities at risk; and
- 4. Report all health and safety concerns to an appropriate person (as detailed in this policy statement).
- 5. Adhere to the School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document which state that teachers' professional duties include maintaining good order and discipline among the pupils and safeguarding their health and safety both when they are authorised to be on the school premises and when they are engaged in authorised school activities elsewhere.

# Health and Safety Risks Arising from Work Activities

I/we will ensure that so far as is reasonably practicable, all areas of risk are assessed and adequate control measures are put in place to ensure the health and safety of all employees, pupils, contractors, non-employees and anyone else affected by the school's activities.

Risk assessments will be undertaken by: Risk assessments will be undertaken prior to the introduction of any new work tasks / activities that pose a significant risk to health and safety.	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School business manager) Mrs G Murray (Site supervisor)
The significant findings of risk assessments will be reported to:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School business manager)
Action required to remove/control risks will be approved by:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
The responsibility for ensuring the action required to reduce risks is implemented is that of:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site supervisor)
Checking that implemented actions have removed/reduced the risks is the responsibility of:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site supervisor)
Risk Assessments will be reviewed regularly (at least every 3 years for task risk assessments and the technical aspects of a fire risk assessment; annually for the non-technical aspects of a fire risk assessment and every 5 years for COSHH assessments) or in the event of any significant changes. Responsibility for this rests with:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site supervisor)

### School's Commitment

To meet the requirements of this Policy Statement, the Headteacher/Governing Body and/or his/her/their nominated representative(s) will:

- a) draw up and implement appropriate health & safety procedures for the school;
- b) share appropriate elements of these procedures with all employees, pupils, visitors and anyone else who may be affected by them;
- c) arrange for risk assessments to be completed for all areas of work and review them on a regular basis;
- d) as part of the risk assessment process, produce safe systems of work where necessary and arrange for their implementation including any appropriate training, resourcing, auditing and monitoring;
- e) identify adequate resources for the implementation of the health and safety policy and arrangements with the school;
- f) comply with appropriate directions given by the county council on health and safety requirements; and,
- g) act in accordance with the relevant provisions in the Scheme for Financing Schools in Lancashire and the School Teachers Pay and Conditions Document.

The school will, upon request, make available for general inspection specific, procedures and documentation and will regularly review its arrangements in respect of the applicable topics and activities listed in the table at the end of this Policy document.

#### Consultation with employees

The school recognises and accepts its duty to consult with employees and will do so via a union-appointed safety representative and/or through elected employee representatives where union appointed representatives are not available.

Employee representative(s) for the school are:	Names & Designations Zoe Shimmin
Consultation with employees is provided via:	Individual staff appraisals, review of documents, team meetings, circulation of draft documents for consultation, termly health & safety meeting etc.

## Safety Representatives

The school recognises and accepts that safety representatives must be given the paid time necessary to carry out their functions, and paid time as is necessary to undergo training in those functions, as is reasonable in the circumstances.

Safety Representatives functions are to:-

- Investigate potential hazards and dangerous occurrences at the workplace, and complaints by employees relating to health, safety and welfare at work, and examine the causes of workplace accidents;
- Make representations to the Headteacher/Governing Body on the above investigations, and on general matters affecting the health and safety of the employees they represent;
- Inspect the workplace;
- Represent employees in dealings with health and safety inspectors;
- Attend health and safety committee meetings.

### Safe Plant and Equipment

The school will ensure that all plant and equipment that requires maintenance is identified, that maintenance is carried out and that new or second-hand plant and equipment meets any required health and safety standards before it is purchased.

Responsible person(s) for identifying all equipment/plant needing maintenance:	Names & Designation Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for ensuring effective maintenance procedures are drawn up:	Names & Designation Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for ensuring that all identified maintenance is carried out:	Names & Designation Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Any problems found with equipment should be reported to:	Name & Designation Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor) Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager)
Responsible person(s) to check that new equipment meets any required health and safety standards before it is purchased:	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher)

#### Information, Instruction and Supervision

The Health and Safety Law poster is displayed	Location(s)
at:	Staff room
	Cleaners cupboard
Note: It is a legal requirement to display the	
Health & Safety Law Poster in a prominent	
position in each workplace e.g. in the school's	
Reception area, or to give employees a copy of	
the Health & Safety Law leaflet.	

Health and safety advice is available from:	Name & Designation
	Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
	Mrs J Lee (School Business manager)
	Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Induction, supervision of trainees/work	Name & Designation
placements etc. will be arranged/ undertaken /	Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
monitored by:	Mrs J Lee (School Business manager)
	Mrs A Jameson (Assistant Headteacher)

### **Competency for Tasks and Training**

The school has arrangements in place to ensure that all new employees are provided with appropriate health and safety induction training when they start work. This will cover basics such as first aid and fire safety. Specific on the job and job specific health and safety training will also be provided if needed to achieve the required competency. Training provision will include regular refresher training where appropriate. Write down your arrangements for training here including arrangements for record keeping.

Induction training will be provided for all employees by:	Name & Designation Gill Murray
Job specific training will be provided by:	Name & Designation Gill Murray Richard Davis (Headteacher)
Jobs requiring specific health & safety training are: Site supervisor Cleaners Kitchen Staff	List the training and method of provision e.g. Asbestos Inspection & Awareness – E learning team & on the job training Legionella & Water Monitoring – E learning team & on the job training COSHH – E learning team & on the job training Management of Contractors – H&S eLearning & on-the-job training DSE – H&S eLearning Working at Height – H&S eLearning/ DSE Risk Assessment & on-the-job training Manual Handling of people - H&S Team & on-the-job training
Training records are kept at/by:	Name & Designation Jane Lee
Training will be identified, arranged and monitored by:	Name & Designation Senior Leadership Team (SLT)

## Accidents, First Aid and Work-related III Health

The school acknowledges the legal requirement to:

- Ensure that there is a recognised system in place to deal with the reporting, recording and investigation of incidents and accidents;
- Ensure that there is a recognised system in place for reporting work related injuries, diseases and dangerous occurrences under the RIDDOR Regulations;
- Provide appropriate first aid arrangements for employees and anyone attending the premises that may be affected by the school's activities;
- Provide health surveillance for any employees who may be **at risk** of ill-health as a direct result of work activities, and has made appropriate arrangements to deal with this issue.

The first aid box(es) is/are available:	Detail location(s) School Office, Key Stage 1/ Key Stage 2/Nursery/POD
The first aider(s) and appointed person(s) is/are:	Name(s) and contact details or signpost to where up-to-date list is displayed Full list on wall in staffroom
All accidents and cases of work-related ill health are to be reported to: Minor - Book in office Severe accidents - HSE Riddor Work Related III Health - Occupational Health	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
Health surveillance is required for employees doing the following jobs within the school:	3 x TA's with history of back problems 2 x Catering Assistants with health issues effecting muscles and joints 1 x DSE user with health issues effecting muscles and joints OH referrals have been followed for all of the above
Health surveillance will be arranged by:	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager)
Health surveillance/records will be kept by/at:	Name & Designation or provide details Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager)

#### Performance Monitoring

The school acknowledges its requirement to monitor the health and safety of employees and anyone who may be affected by its work activities and has appropriate arrangements in place to fulfil this requirement and to keep records.

To check our working conditions and ensure our safe working practices are being followed,	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager)
Issue No: 10	Schools Model H&S Policy and
Issued by: H&S Team	Arrangements document
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we will: <ul> <li>Conduct workplace inspections. These are carried out by:</li> </ul>	Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Review all risk assessments regularly (at least every 3 years for task risk assessments and the technical aspects of a fire risk assessment; annually for the non-technical aspects of a fire risk assessment and every 5 years for COSHH assessments) or in the event of any significant changes.	See Section: Health and Safety Risks Arising from Work Activities for responsibility details
Responsible person(s) for investigating accidents - e.g. road traffic accidents, slips, trips and/or falls accidents etc. before requesting assistance from the Health, Safety and Quality Team if necessary:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray
Responsible person(s) for investigating work- related causes of sickness absences:	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager)
Responsible person(s) for acting on investigation findings to prevent recurrences:	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for the monitoring of any trends in accidents, incidents and sickness absence:	Name & Designation Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor) Health and Safety committee

## **Emergency Procedures - Fire and Evacuation**

The school acknowledges its responsibility for ensuring that appropriate emergency procedures are in place and that these are communicated to all concerned, including other users of the premises, and monitored on a regular basis.

Responsibility for ensuring the fire risk	Name & Designation
assessment is undertaken and implemented	Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
rests with:	Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
Escape routes are checked by/every:	Name, Designation and frequency:
	Mrs G Murray (Site Supervisor)
	Daily
	Name, Designation and frequency:
Fire extinguishers are maintained and checked by/every:	Walker Fire every 6 months
Alarms are tested by/every:	Name, Designation and frequency:
	EFT every 6 Months
The emergency evacuation procedure is tested	Name, Designation and frequency
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by/every:	Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Termly
Responsibility for ensuring arrangements are in place to deal with other emergency situations e.g. bomb threat, flood, etc. rests with:	Name & Designation Mr R Davis (Headteacher)

# Table of Occupational Health & Safety Topics/Activities that apply

Occupational Health & Safety Topic/Activity (This is not a comprehensive list. Please add any further topics/activities relevant to the school). Information and Guidance is available on the web site, link below: <u>Health, Safety &amp; Quality web site</u>	Applicable (√)	Details of where information about the school's arrangements can be found
Accident Reporting, Recording and Investigation		School Office
Asbestos Management Plan		School Business Managers Office
Bodily Fluids (urine; blood; faeces; vomit) & Biological Agents	$\checkmark$	<u>Chapter 6: cleaning the environment - GOV.UK</u> (www.gov.uk)
Cleaning/caretaking tasks		School Business Managers Office
Control of contractors		LCC Beacon Service/ School Office
Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH)		SS Files- Kitchen
Disability access (health & safety implications)		School Portal
Display Screen Equipment and Eye Tests		School Portal
Driving at Work	n/a	
Electrical Safety e.g. installations, PAT tests, visual checks, local		School Business Managers Office
policy on bringing electrical items into school etc.		Staff Handbook
Emergency Procedures other than Fire e.g. flood, services failure		School Office
Extended school and community use		School Office
Fire Safety		School Office/ Caretakers Office
First Aid	$\checkmark$	Staff Handbook? School Office
Gas safety e.g. installations, servicing, tests, visual checks, local policy on use of gas items in school etc.	n/a	
Health & Safety Induction (checklist available on web site)		School Business Managers Office/ School Portal?
Infection Control including needles and needle stick injuries		School Portal
Lettings to non-school groups	n/a	
Manual Handling		Staff Handbook
Minibuses	n/a	
Mobile phones (the use of)		Staff Policies file/ School Business Managers Office

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Personal safety including lone working and violence and aggression		School Portal
Play Equipment installations inspections		Site Supervisor files- Kitchen
Playgrounds and external areas		Staff Handbook
Ponds and Water features	n/a?	
Premises Management (see Premises Management Guidance &		Site Supervisor office/ School Business Managers
Records on Health & Safety web site)		office
Pupil moving and handling (special needs)		School portal
Pregnant employees and nursing mothers		School portal/ School Business Managers Office
Reporting of health & safety concerns/faults		Staff room/ Site Supervisors office
Severe Weather including winter gritting		School portal/ School Business Managers Office
Shared use of buildings	n/a	
Sharps e.g. broken glass either in school building or external		Site Supervisor office
grounds		
Stress		School Business Managers office- Policies
Swimming pools	n/a	
Transport Safety/Vehicle Movement – arrangements for vehicle		Policies file- Staff room
movement, car parking and vehicle/pedestrian segregation on site		
Visitor and volunteers safety		School Office
Waste storage and disposal		Site Supervisors office
Water hygiene (Legionella, lead etc.) – a Legionella Risk		Site supervisor files- Kitchen
Assessment should be in place as part of your premises		
management arrangements		
Work equipment and machinery		School portal
Working at height – ladders, access equipment etc.		Site supervisor files- Kitchen
Workplace Inspection		Health and Safety file- School business managers of

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#### Table of Non-Occupational Health & Safety Topics/Activities that apply

Curriculum and other non-occupational activities (information and	Applicable ( $$ )	Details of where information about the
guidance is available in various parts of the <u>Schools Portal</u> )		school's arrangements can be found
Administration of medication		School office
*Educational Visits		School policy/Staff Handbook
Food safety and hygiene		Kitchen/School office
Outdoor activities		
PE Equipment		PE Policy
Pupil handling and restraint		Behaviour Policy
Grounds maintenance activities		
Pupil movement and flow		
School transport – Swimming/trips		
Science (only where not covered by curriculum safety procedures set		Science Policy
down in CLEAPSS)		
Smoking		Staff handbook
Special needs of pupils health & safety issues		
Stage and drama activities		Staff Handbook
Supervision of pupils		Staff handbook
Technology rooms and equipment		ICT Policy
Wearing of jewellery		
Work experience		

The school will also take into account the risks, and make health and safety arrangements for, non-routine, out of hours, 'one-off', seasonal or sporadic activities for example special school and community events such as school fetes, etc.

Note: Educational Visits have a separate intranet site on the Schools Portal at Educational Visits.