

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY

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 board of trustees/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 will 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 of this template 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 work-related 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
Date: October 2023	Proposed Review date: November 2025

Responsibilities

<p>The responsibility for implementation and management of proper health and safety controls within the school is that of eg headteacher:</p>	<p><i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher)</p>
<p>The delegated member of staff with day-to-day responsibility for ensuring this policy is put into practice is eg school business manager, health and safety co-ordinator etc:</p>	<p><i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher)</p>
<p>To ensure health and safety standards are maintained/improved, the following people have responsibility in their specific areas eg premises issues, fire safety and other emergencies, out-of-hours arrangements, educational visits:</p>	<p><i>Names and Designations</i> <i>Premises – Mr F Nickson (Site supervisor)</i> <i>Fire Safety/Emergency Plans – Mr R Davis (Headteacher)</i> <i>Out of hours arrangements -</i> <i>- Mr R Davis (Headteacher)</i> <i>Educational Visits – Mrs R Gittins (EVC Co-ordinator)</i> <i>etc</i></p>
<p>Health and safety objectives for the school (as identified by accident/incident investigation, consultation, review of risk assessments, health and safety management support and audit visits; advice from the county council etc, or other sources eg DfE, Teachers.Net, other schools, the HSE) will be developed and monitored by:</p>	<p><i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (Site supervisor)</p>
<p>Documented health and safety objectives and any associated action plan(s) can be found:</p> <p>Note: Any actions arising from those objectives should be documented eg as an action plan, and monitored to ensure they are achieved.</p>	<p>Within the School Development Plan and in the minutes of Governors or Staff meetings. .</p>
<p>All employees within the school have a responsibility to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 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; 4. Report all health and safety concerns to an appropriate person (as detailed in this policy statement); and, 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:	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School business manager) Mr F Nickson (Site supervisor)
Risk assessments will be undertaken prior to the introduction of any new work tasks / activities that pose a significant risk to health and safety.	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School business manager)
The significant findings of risk assessments will be reported to:	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School business manager)
Action required to remove/control risks will be approved by:	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
The responsibility for ensuring the action required to reduce risks is implemented is that of:	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (Site supervisor)
Checking that implemented actions have removed/reduced the risks is the responsibility of:	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (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:	<i>Name and Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (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 and 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 within 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:

- make health and safety procedures and documentation available for inspection upon request
- 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 through elected employee representatives where union appointed representatives are not available.

Employee representative(s) for the school are:	<i>Names and Designations</i> Miss Z 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;
- regularly inspect the workplace;
- represent employees in dealings with health and safety inspectors; and,
- 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:	<i>Names & Designation</i> Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for ensuring effective maintenance arrangements are in place:	<i>Names & Designation</i> Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for ensuring that all identified maintenance is carried out:	<i>Names & Designation</i> Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Any problems found with equipment should be reported to:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr F Nickson (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:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher)

Information, instruction and supervision

The Health and Safety Law poster is displayed at:	<i>Location(s)</i> Staff room Cleaners cupboard
Note: It is a legal requirement to display the	

Health and Safety Law Poster in a prominent position in each workplace eg in the school's reception area, or to give employees a copy of the Health and Safety Law leaflet.	
Health and safety advice is available from:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School Business manager) Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Induction, supervision of trainees/work placements etc will be arranged/undertaken/monitored by:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mrs J Lee (School Business manager) Mrs R Russell / Anna Jameson (Assistant Headteachers)

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. Job specific health and safety training will also be provided if needed to achieve the required competency. Training arrangements will include regular refresher training where appropriate. Write down your arrangements for training here, including arrangements for record keeping.

Induction training will be arranged/undertaken for all employees by:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Premiserv – external cleaning provider Mellors – external catering provider
Job specific training will be provided by:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor) Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
Jobs requiring specific health and safety training are:	<i>List the training and method of provision</i> 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 by:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Personnel files in SBM Office - Mrs J Lee
Training will be identified, arranged and monitored by:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Senior Leadership Team (SLT)

Accidents, first aid and work-related ill health

The school acknowledges the legal requirement to:

- ensure there are adequate arrangements in place for the reporting, recording and investigation of incidents and accidents;
- ensure there are adequate arrangements 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;
- ensure there are adequate arrangements in place to provide health surveillance for any employees who may be **at risk** of ill-health as a direct result of their work activities.

The first aid box(es) is/are available:	<i>Detail location(s)</i> School Office, Key Stage 1/ Key Stage 2/Nursery/POD
The first aider(s) and appointed person(s) is/are:	<i>Name(s) and contact details or signpost to where up-to-date list is displayed</i> Full list on wall in staffroom
All accidents and cases of work-related ill health are to be reported to:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher)
*Health surveillance is required for employees doing the following jobs within the school:	4 x TA's with History of back problems 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:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business

	Manager)
Health surveillance/records will be kept by/at:	<i>Name & Designation or provide details</i> 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, we will conduct workplace inspections. These are carried out by:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (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 eg road traffic accidents, slips, trips and/or falls etc before requesting assistance from the Health, Safety and Quality team if necessary:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for investigating work-related causes of sickness absences:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager)
Responsible person(s) for acting on investigation findings to prevent recurrences:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Responsible person(s) for the monitoring of any trends in accidents, incidents and sickness absence:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mrs J Lee (School Business Manager) Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (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 assessment is undertaken and implemented rests with:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor)
Escape routes are checked by/every:	<i>Name, Designation and frequency:</i> Mr F Nickson (Site Supervisor) Daily
Fire extinguishers are maintained and checked by/every:	<i>Name, Designation and frequency:</i> JLA Fire & Security - 6 Monthly
Alarms are tested by/every:	<i>Name, Designation and frequency:</i> EFT - 6 Monthly
The emergency evacuation procedure is tested by/every:	<i>Name, Designation and frequency</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher) - Termly
Responsibility for ensuring arrangements are in place to deal with other emergency situations eg bomb threat, flood, etc. rests with:	<i>Name & Designation</i> Mr R Davis (Headteacher)

Table of occupational health and safety topics/activities that apply

Occupational health and safety topic/activity (Note: This is not a comprehensive list. Please add any further topics/activities relevant to your school.) Information and guidance is available on the Health, Safety and Quality team website :	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 / Site Supervisors Office
Bodily fluids (urine; blood; faeces; vomit) and biological agents	√	Chapter 6: cleaning the environment – GOV UK (www.gov.uk)
Cleaning/caretaking tasks	√	Premiserv files and SS Job description -School Business Managers Office
Control of contractors	√	LCC Beacon Service
Control of substances hazardous to health (COSHH)	√	File in Cleaners room
Disability access (health and safety implications)	√	School Portal
Display screen equipment and eye tests	√	School Portal
Driving at work	n/a	
Electrical safety, for example, installations, PAT tests, visual checks, local policy on bringing electrical items into school etc	√	Site Supervisors Office Staff Handbook
Emergency procedures other than fire, for example flood, services failure	√	School Office
Extended school and community use	√	School Office
Finger traps (internal and external)	√	Finger guards on doors
Fire safety	√	School Office/ Site Supervisor office
First aid	√	Staff Handbook / School Office
Gas safety, for example, installations, servicing, tests, visual checks, local policy on use of gas items in school etc	√	Site Supervisor office
Health and safety induction (a checklist is available on the health safety and quality website)	√	School Business Managers Office/ School Portal
Infection control, including needles and needlestick injuries	√	School Portal

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Lettings to non-school groups	n/a	
Manual handling	√	Staff Handbook / School Portal
Minibuses	n/a	
Mobile phones (the use of)	√	Staff Policies file/ School Business Managers Office
Personal safety including lone working and violence and aggression	√	School Portal
Play equipment installations inspections	√	Site Supervisors office
Playgrounds and external areas	√	Staff Handbook
Ponds and water features	n/a	
Premises management (see premises management guidance on the Health, Safety and Quality team's website)	√	Site Supervisor office/ School Business Managers office
Pupil moving and handling (special needs)	√	Schools Portal
Pregnant employees and nursing mothers	√	School portal/ School Business Managers Office
Reporting of health and safety concerns/faults	√	Staff room/ Site Supervisors office
Severe weather including winter gritting	√	School portal/ Site Supervisor office/ School Business Managers office
Shared use of buildings	n/a	
Sharps, for example, broken glass in the school building or external grounds	√	Site Supervisor office
Stress	√	School Business Managers office- Policies
Swimming pools	n/a	
Transport safety/vehicle movement – arrangements for vehicle movement, car parking and vehicle/pedestrian segregation on site	√	Policies file- Staff room
Visitor and volunteers' safety	√	School Office / SMB Office
Waste storage and disposal	√	Site Supervisors office
Water hygiene (Legionella, lead etc) – a Legionella Risk Assessment should be in place as part of your premises management arrangements	√	Site Supervisors office
Work equipment and machinery	√	School Portal

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Working at height – ladders, access equipment etc	√	Site Supervisors office
Workplace inspection (internal and external)	√	Site Supervisors office
<i>-add more as required</i>		

Table of non-occupational health and safety topics/activities that apply

Curriculum and other non-occupational activities (information and guidance is available in various parts of the Schools Portal)	Applicable (√)	Details of where information about the 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		
Science (only where not covered by curriculum safety procedures set down in CLEAPSS)	√	Science Policy
Smoking	√	Staff handbook
Special needs of pupils (health and safety issues)		
Stage and drama activities	√	Staff Handbook
Supervision of pupils	√	Staff handbook
Technology rooms and equipment	√	ICT Policy
Wearing of jewellery		
Work experience		
<i>-add more as required</i>		

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](#).