

Esher Church of England High School

FIRST AID POLICY

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1. Aims

The aims of our first aid policy are to:

- Ensure the health and safety of all staff, pupils and visitors
- Ensure that staff and governors are aware of their responsibilities with regards to health and safety
- Provide a framework for responding to an incident and recording and reporting the outcomes

2. Legislation and guidance

- [The Health and Safety \(First Aid\) Regulations 1981](#), which state that employers must provide adequate and appropriate equipment and facilities to enable first aid to be administered to employees, and qualified first aid personnel
- [The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1992](#), which require employers to make an assessment of the risks to the health and safety of their employees
- [The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999](#), which require employers to carry out risk assessments, make arrangements to implement necessary measures, and arrange for appropriate information and training

- [The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations \(RIDDOR\) 2013](#), which state that some accidents must be reported to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE), and set out the timeframe for this and how long records of such accidents must be kept
- [Social Security \(Claims and Payments\) Regulations 1979](#), which set out rules on the retention of accident records
- [The Education \(Independent School Standards\) Regulations 2014](#), which require that suitable space is provided to cater for the medical and therapy needs of pupils

This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

3. Roles and responsibilities

3.1 Appointed person(s) and first aiders

The school's appointed person is Jenny Davison, Student Services Officer. She is responsible for:

- Taking charge when someone is injured or becomes ill
- Ensuring there is an adequate supply of medical materials in first aid kits, and replenishing the contents of these kits
- Ensuring that an ambulance or other professional medical help is summoned when appropriate

First aiders are trained and qualified to carry out the role (see section 7) and are responsible for:

- Acting as first responders to any incidents; they will assess the situation where there is an injured or ill person, and provide immediate and appropriate treatment
- Sending pupils home to recover, where necessary
- Filling in an accident report on the same day, or as soon as is reasonably practicable, after an incident (see procedure in appendix 2)
- Keeping their contact details up to date

Our school's appointed person and first aiders are listed in appendix 1. Their names will also be displayed prominently around the school.

3.2 The governing board

The governing board has ultimate responsibility for health and safety matters in the school, but delegates operational matters and day-to-day tasks to the headteacher and staff members.

3.4 The headteacher

The headteacher is responsible for the implementation of this policy, including:

- Ensuring that an appropriate number of appointed persons and trained first aid personnel are present in the school at all times
- Ensuring that first aiders have an appropriate qualification, keep training up to date and remain competent to perform their role
- Ensuring all staff are aware of first aid procedures
- Ensuring appropriate risk assessments are completed and appropriate measures are put in place
- Undertaking, or ensuring that managers undertake, risk assessments, as appropriate, and that appropriate measures are put in place
- Ensuring that adequate space is available for catering to the medical needs of pupils
- Reporting specified incidents to the HSE when necessary (see section 6)

3.5 Staff

School staff are responsible for:

- Ensuring they follow first aid procedures
- Ensuring they know who the first aiders in school are
- Completing accident reports (see appendix 2) for all incidents they attend to where a first aider/appointed person is not called
- Informing the headteacher or their manager of any specific health conditions or first aid needs

4. First aid procedures

4.1 In-school procedures

In the event of an accident resulting in injury:

- The closest member of staff present will assess the seriousness of the injury and seek the assistance of a qualified first aider, if appropriate, who will provide the required first aid treatment
- The first aider, if called, will assess the injury and decide if further assistance is needed from a colleague or the emergency services. They will remain on scene until help arrives
- The first aider will also decide whether the injured person should be moved or placed in a recovery position
- If the first aider judges that a pupil is too unwell to remain in school, parents will be contacted and asked to collect their child. Upon their arrival, the first aider will recommend next steps to the parents
- If emergency services are called, Jenny Davison, Student Services Officer will contact parents immediately. In her absence, another member of the Student Services team will make contact with parents.
- The first aider/relevant member of staff will complete an accident report form on the same day or as soon as is reasonably practical after an incident resulting in an injury

4.2 Off-site procedures

When taking pupils off the school premises, staff will ensure they always have the following:

- A school mobile phone
- A portable first aid kit
- Information about the specific medical needs of pupils
- Parents' contact details

Risk assessments will be completed by respective 'trip leaders' prior to any educational visit that necessitates taking pupils off school premises.

5. First aid equipment

A typical first aid kit in our school will include the following:

- A leaflet with general first aid advice
- Regular and large bandages
- Eye pad bandages

- Triangular bandages
- Adhesive tape
- Safety pins
- Disposable gloves
- Antiseptic wipes
- Plasters of assorted sizes
- Scissors
- Cold compresses
- Burns dressings

No medication is kept in first aid kits.

First aid kits are stored in:

- The main school office
- Student Services
- Science prep room
- Food Technology rooms
- Design and Technology rooms
- PE Kitchen
- Staff room
- Art Block
- Disabled toilet in Performing Arts
- The school kitchen – Replenishing is responsibility of Catering Company

6. Record-keeping and reporting

6.1 First aid and accident record book

- An accident form will be completed by the first aider/relevant member of staff on the same day or as soon as possible after an incident resulting in an injury
- As much detail as possible should be supplied when reporting an accident, including all of the information included in the accident form at appendix 2
- A copy of the accident report form will also be added to the pupil's educational record by the Sarah Rolfe, Student Services Manager
- Records held in the first aid and accident book will be retained by the school for a minimum of 3 years, in accordance with regulation 25 of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979, and then securely disposed of.

6.2 Reporting to the HSE

The school business lead will keep a record of any accident which results in a reportable injury, disease, or dangerous occurrence as defined in the RIDDOR 2013 legislation (regulations 4, 5, 6 and 7).

The school business lead will report these to the Health and Safety Executive as soon as is reasonably practicable and in any event within 10 days of the incident.

Reportable injuries, diseases or dangerous occurrences include:

- Death

- Specified injuries, which are:
 - Fractures, other than to fingers, thumbs and toes
 - Amputations
 - Any injury likely to lead to permanent loss of sight or reduction in sight
 - Any crush injury to the head or torso causing damage to the brain or internal organs
 - Serious burns (including scalding)
 - Any scalping requiring hospital treatment
 - Any loss of consciousness caused by head injury or asphyxia
 - Any other injury arising from working in an enclosed space which leads to hypothermia or heat-induced illness, or requires resuscitation or admittance to hospital for more than 24 hours
- Injuries where an employee is away from work or unable to perform their normal work duties for more than 7 consecutive days (not including the day of the incident)
- Where an accident leads to someone being taken to hospital
- Near-miss events that do not result in an injury, but could have done. Examples of near-miss events relevant to schools include, but are not limited to:
 - The collapse or failure of load-bearing parts of lifts and lifting equipment
 - The accidental release of a biological agent likely to cause severe human illness
 - The accidental release or escape of any substance that may cause a serious injury or damage to health
 - An electrical short circuit or overload causing a fire or explosion

Information on how to make a RIDDOR report is available here:

[How to make a RIDDOR report, HSE](http://www.hse.gov.uk/riddor/report.htm)

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7. Training

School staff undertake first aid training where required to ensure there are the required number of qualified staff as shown in the school's First Aid Risk Assessment. Any other staff may complete training at the discretion of their line manager and the SLT member responsible for CPD

All first aiders must have completed a training course, and must hold a valid certificate of competence to show this. The school will keep a register of all trained first aiders, what training they have received and when this is valid until (see appendix 3).

The Student Services Manager will arrange for renewal of qualifications as required

8. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed by the Assistant Headteacher responsible for student wellbeing every year.

At every review, the policy will be approved by the Head Teacher and full governing board.

9. Links with other policies

This first aid policy is linked to the

- Health and safety policy
- Policy on supporting pupils with medical conditions

APPENDIX 1

LIST OF APPOINTED PERSON(S) FOR FIRST AID AND/OR TRAINED FIRST AIDERS

<u>Usual Location</u>	<u>First Aiders (first point of call)</u>	<u>Expires</u>
Student Services	Jenny Davison (appointed person, Student Services Officer)	March 2023
	Sarah Rolfe (Student Services Manager)	
	Hardip Sahota (Student Services Officer)	July 2022
PE	Chris Horrod (Tuesday and Wednesday)	Ongoing
	<u>One day emergency first aid trained</u>	
Admin Team	Jo McLeod	January 2022
Admin Team	Lucy Owen	January 2022
Admin Team	Nicky Woods	January 2022
Blue Diner (lunchtime supervisor)	Lisa Dallamore	October 2021
DT	Andy Lazell	October 2021
ISB	Eileen Power	January 2022
ISB	Lucy Emerton	January 2022
PE	Ceire Perks	October 2021
Premises	Andy Ruaux	January 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Deborah Hearn	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Simon Taylor	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Emma Tolman	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Jenna Pearson	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Yuka Yamaguchi	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Lisa Dallamore	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Caterina Catalano	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Michele Payne	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Ilse Howe	July 2022
Teaching Assistants in Classrooms	Sally Godley	July 2022
Teaching Staff in Classrooms	Matthew Balistrari	January 2023
The Hub	Sue Wallman	January 2022

APPENDIX 2

ACCIDENT REPORTING

All accidents must be reported to the Student Services Officer. All accidents that result in a student being taken home from school or referred to a medical or dental practitioner must be reported electronically by the person to whom the accident was first reported. There is a link on the staff intranet to access this.

10. Accident Reporting, Recording & Investigation

<i>Type of Accident</i>	<i>Example</i>	<i>Action</i>	<i>When</i>
Minor	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Grazes Minor bumps to the head 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Details logged by Student Services Officer Student Services will call parents to inform them student has had a bump to the head. 	The same day
Possibly requiring medical / dental treatment	Severe cuts/lacerations. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Impact injury (bang or blow) to the head (the head is defined as whole head & face) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Details logged by Student Services Officer* Student Services will call parents to inform them student has had a blow to the head. SCC Health and Safety Event Report completed on-line by the person accident first reported to. (*Please take a note of incident number and pass to student services for their records) 	The same day
Severe	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major injuries e.g. Broken bones (not fingers) Loss of limbs Accident resulting in over 7 day injury Where injured party leaves site in an ambulance (not reportable if taken to hospital as a precaution but the examination shows no injury) Death 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Details logged by Student Services Officer * SCC Health and Safety Event Report completed on-line by the person accident first reported to. (*Please take a note of incident number and pass to student services for their records) Reported to H & S executive under Riddor. 	24 hrs

Please note: A Riddor report should also be completed for dangerous occurrences – where something happens that does not result in an injury, but could have done.

11. Responsibility for online accident reporting

Accidents involving staff:	The staff member involved in the accident, if they are able or if they are unable due to injury then their Line Manager has responsibility for completing the SCC Health and Safety online accident/event report and supplying any information requested by outside agencies.
Accidents involving visitors to the school:	The staff member responsible for inviting the visitor on-site has the responsibility for completing the SCC Health and Safety online accident/event report and supplying any information requested by outside agencies.
Accidents involving students:	The adult that an accident is first reported to has the responsibility for completing the SCC Health and Safety online accident/event report and supplying any information requested by outside agencies.
Accidents involving students or staff	The Group Leader has responsibility for completing the SCC on school trips Health and Safety online accident/event report and supplying any information requested by outside agencies after the trip is completed. A written record should be kept of any incidents as they occur during the trip.

If any member of staff has any queries about accident reporting and their responsibilities, they should check with the Student Services Manager. But, generally the rule should be 'If in doubt complete an accident report'.

12. Admin procedures

- All injuries should be logged by Student Services Officer or whoever is covering Student Services.
- The student services injury log is to be used as a checking mechanism that all appropriate reports have been completed and a reminder should be issued to staff if reports have not been completed.
- A note of the on-line incident reference number should be made against each accident entered into the injury log when the appropriate on-line forms are completed.
- The Student Services injury log should be checked and monitored regularly by the Bursar
- If a report remains outstanding for longer than 7 days, the matter should be referred to SLT responsible for student welfare
- A report is prepared on a termly basis for reporting to Governors

<i>By Whom</i>	<i>Action to take</i>	<i>Notes</i>
All Staff & School Trip Group Leaders	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Complete incident report on-line • Take a note of incident number and pass to student services for their records. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure you tick Yes under People Injured/Affected or Involved to add details of incident. • When completing details for student select Other as title rather than Miss or Mr
Student Services	<input type="checkbox"/> Perform System Check	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review that detail is entered correctly and no system errors are highlighted. • Follow up on missing data with staff member that submitted original report • Complete / clarify gaps
School Business Lead	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Perform Event Assessment • Sign-off events • Issue termly accident summary reports to HoD & Head teacher for review at the beginning of term. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If necessary, follow up on missing data with staff member that submitted original report (or Student Services as appropriate) • Complete / clarify gaps • Check Student Services injury log – all entries have an accident report log number. <input type="checkbox"/>
Headteacher	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and sign-off termly accident summary reports • Perform review of Riddor reportable events • Report anything significant to Governors 	

Monitoring

- Accident reports with analysis to Headteacher and Efficiency committee on a termly basis

APPENDIX 3
FIRST AID TRAINING LOG

Name/type of training	Staff who attended (individual staff members or groups)	Date attended	Date for training to be updated (where applicable)
<i>First Aid</i>	Appendix 1		
<i>Anaphylaxis</i>	Amber Duncombe Andrew King Anna Makolski Annabelle Copp Becky Copus Ben Allin Ben Cheetham Carl Highman Catherine Palmer Dean Hewitt Deborah Hearn Dominic O'Driscoll Eileen Power Erato Porphyrios Faye Nason Hardip Sahota Helen Sweeney Jemma Young Jennifer Davison Jessica Goodman Jo Gale-Hayes Joanna Cocklin John Bilton Judith Turner Karen Smurthwaite Karolina Kepinska Kathryn Plummer Kathryn Joyes Keely Shrubb Kirsty Hildebrand Louise O'Neil Lucy Owen Margaret Branscombe Maria Hill Martin Glover Matt Balistrar	Student Services has details	

	Michael Boddington Michael Ejeuyitchie Myrian Bogado Natalie Searle Nicola Wheeler Sarah Thomas Sarah Rolfe Sheila Middleton Simon Jay Simon Taylor Stephen May Stephen Dennehy Tony Ranells Victoria Johns William van Heyningen Zoe Edwards		
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