

FIRE AND EMERGENCY EVACUATION POLICY – ‘Dog In The Playground’.

OVERVIEW

This policy sets out the procedures to be followed in the event of a fire or other emergency that requires the school to be evacuated. It is designed to ensure that children and staff leave the building in an orderly and speedy manner to assemble in safe places.

OBJECTIVES.

1. To keep the learners and staff safe from danger.
2. To evacuate the building quickly and in an orderly manner without panic and to take all learners and staff to agreed places of safety.
3. To ensure that the building is checked and all are accounted for.
4. To summon help quickly.
5. To contain the danger and preserve the building.

STRATEGIES.

1. The first person to discover the danger will sound the alarm.
2. Unless it is known to be a pre-arranged ‘practice’ the emergency services will be called by the Headteacher, senior staff or school office staff.
3. At the sound of the alarm all staff responsible for children will escort them quickly in an orderly manner from the building to the agreed assembly point.
4. Staff will take their registers with them. If the registers are being kept at the school office, office staff will distribute them at the assembly points
5. The nearest safe exit should be used. If that is blocked then the next nearest exit will be used.
6. Once rooms are empty doors should be closed to prevent the spread of fire.
7. At the assembly points class registers will be taken to ensure that all children are accounted for.
8. Office staff will take the emergency contact lists to the assembly points in case registers have been lost.
9. The headteacher must be informed immediately if a child or member of staff cannot be accounted for.
10. During the evacuation, the headteacher and senior staff will check toilets and other areas to ensure that children have not been left behind.
11. No one must return to the building once it has been evacuated without the headteacher’s permission.
12. The headteacher will inform staff when it is safe to return to the building.

OUTCOMES

All will be safely evacuated during an emergency.

‘Dog In The Playground’ –

- 1. To ensure that children can be brought in from the playground and school can be in ‘lock down’ in the event of an outside emergency.**
- 2. Any member of staff to contact Emergency Services. Logs to be kept as soon as possible.**
- 3. A senior member of staff will blow a horn in the playground and staff will line the children up quickly and return to classrooms. The horn will sound around school.**
- 4. A register will be taken and any missing children or staff reported to the senior staff.**
- 5. Senior staff will close shutters around the entrance areas and staff will close shutters, check doors and lock the classroom door. All outside doors will be checked.**

- 6. Children will continue with their learning.**
- 7. Staff to await instructions from Senior staff.**
- 8. Fire Marshalls and wardens will check school.**