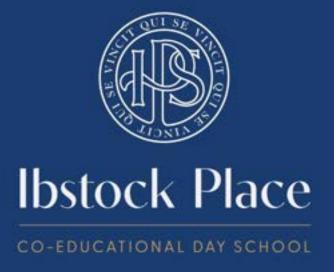
# Fire Risk Assessment Full School including EYFS

2024 / 2025



#### **Ibstock Place School**

#### **Fire Risk Assessment and Procedures**

## **Full School including EYFS**

## Scope

This policy applies to all pupils (age 4 (EYFS) - 18) and staff at Ibstock Place School (hereinafter 'lbstock' or 'the School').

## **Roles and Responsibilities**

The Governing Body delegates responsibility to the Head for developing and enacting any required "Good Practice" policies. These policies are non-statutory and do not require ratification by the Governing Body. As such, the Head has delegated accountability and responsibility for the operationalisation of this policy to the Bursar, who ensures the consistent application and implementation of this policy across the School. Staff should follow the expectations set out in this policy.

#### Introduction

The purpose of this document is to assess the risk to employees, pupils and visitors that may be caused by fire on the premises. It will identify the sources of ignition, sources of fuel and oxygen. It will describe the measures taken to reduce risks including fire prevention, detection, fire fighting and the procedures for the evacuation of buildings.

This assessment excludes any considerations of safety that apply to particular activities that may take place on the premises, which are set out in departments' individual risk assessment documents.

The School is housed in a number of separate buildings. Much of the assessment applies to the School as a whole and any differences applicable to a particular building are noted in the appropriate section.

## **Potential Sources of Ignition**

- Faulty electrical circuitry or electrical appliances
- Electrical or gas-fired heating (fixed and portable)
- Hot surfaces and obstruction of equipment ventilation
- Naked flames and cigarettes
- Heating and combustion in laboratories
- Cooking
- Static electricity
- Arson

## **Sources of Fuel**

- Flammable paints, varnishes, thinners and adhesives
- Flammable liquids and solvents such as petrol, white spirit, methyl alcohol and paraffin
- Flammable chemicals
- Flammable gases
- Wood in the building structure, fittings and furniture
- Plastics, rubber and foam such as polystyrene and polyurethane in building structure, fittings and furniture
- Paper and card
- Textiles
- Waste materials such as paper and card

## Sources of Oxygen

- Natural airflow through doors, windows and other openings
- Oxidising chemicals

#### **Evaluation of the Risk of Fire**

In most of the areas of the School the risk of fire is low as a result of the precautionary measures in place.

# Precautions Taken to Minimise the Risk of Fire from Potential Sources of Ignition

- Portable electrical appliances are plugged into 13 amp ring mains circuits.
- A qualified electrician checks electrical appliances regularly.
- Personnel are trained not to cover heaters or to place flammable materials near them
  or to block cooling vents on electrical appliances. They also make visual checks of
  appliances, leads, plugs and sockets before each use. No electrical appliances
  brought into School may be used before being checked by Maintenance.
- No smoking is allowed on School premises.
- Strict codes of safe working practice apply to heating and combustion experiments.
- Strict codes of safe working practice apply to cooking in classrooms.
- Maintaining humidity in the buildings reduces the risk of build-up of static electricity.
- Risk of arson is reduced by security measures including intruder alarms, CCTV, external lighting and regular removal of waste.
- Contractors are required to fill-in hot work certificates when appropriate.

#### Precautions Taken to Minimise the Risk of Fire from Sources of Fuel

- Storage of flammable liquids such as paints, solvents, alcohol and chemicals is kept to a minimum. All storage areas are kept locked.
- No flammable gases are stored in the buildings.
- Padding in upholstered furniture complies with fire regulations.
- All recommendations made at previous fire inspections have been carried out.
- All modifications made to the buildings comply with the fire regulations.
- Stationery is stored in locked rooms.
- Waste materials are removed from the buildings at the end of every day and stored in lidded paladin bins.

## Precautions Taken to Minimise the Risk of Fire from Sources of Oxygen

- Windows and external doors are shut and locked and all internal doors are closed as part of the daily closedown procedure.
- Oxidising chemicals are stored in locked fireproof cabinets in a locked chemical storeroom.

## Precautions Taken to Minimise the Risk of Fire by Closedown Checks to Make Sure that:

- All flammable materials are locked away.
- All valuable equipment is secured.
- Any cash is locked away.
- All rubbish is removed from the buildings.
- No-one is left in any of the rooms.
- External lighting is working correctly.
- All windows are shut and locked.
- All internal doors are closed.
- The intruder and fire alarms are correctly set.
- All external doors and gates are locked.

## **Fire Detection and Alarm Systems**

- The buildings are equipped with automatic detection and warning systems.
- There are break-glass alarms positioned at strategic points.
- The systems are tested regularly from different points.
- They are regularly maintained (as required by BS 5839) under contracts with the manufacturers.

## **Emergency Lighting**

• Emergency lighting is installed in all buildings of more than one storey.

## **Emergency Egress Procedure**

- The Bursar supervises a termly practice for each building. Buildings are evacuated within two minutes. The date and time for evacuation are recorded.
- The fire drill procedure is at Appendix 1.

## Calling the Fire Service

• If an employee discovers a fire, they should activate the nearest fire alarm, then telephone the Fire Service from the nearest safe telephone.

## Fire-Fighting Equipment and Signage

- All buildings have the recommended number of suitable fire extinguishers strategically placed.
- All extinguishers are tested annually by the manufacturing company and replaced as necessary.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- All buildings, except the swimming pool, have automatic fire detection and warning systems, all of which are checked annually by the manufacturers.
- Regulation signs are in place to identify emergency exits and routes to these, beside each fire extinguisher and each fire alarm point.
- Fire exit notices are displayed in each room, describing the procedure on hearing the fire alarm.

## **The Pre-Prep School**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

 The building consists of one floor and is of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Occasional supplementary heat is supplied by portable oil filled radiators, which could cause a fire if flammable materials are left near them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the art room and offices to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### Fire

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.

- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- The rooms, which are class bases, have external doors.
- The entrance door in the lobby opens onto the path to the assembly point on The Pre-Prep School playground.
- All external doors in the classrooms open on to the playground, which has direct access to the playground assembly point.

#### **Assembly Point**

• Pre-Prep School playground

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

- All recommendations have been completed apart from emergency lighting and fire extinguishers in classrooms.
- Emergency lighting is not necessary in a single storey building with external doors in the classrooms.
- Classrooms for very young children have fire extinguishers directly outside the classroom rather than inside where they may be tempted to fiddle with them.

## **Roberts House and Roberts Hall**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

- The building consists of two floors and is of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof.
- There is a large assembly hall within the building called the Roberts Hall.
- Access to the first floor is by two staircases.
- At first floor level, all rooms are isolated from the stairwell by two fire doors.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the music room, the Roberts Hall, and the upstairs office to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All downstairs classrooms except the GP room have external doors.
- There is an external door in each of the three entrance lobbies.
- The Roberts Hall has two external fire exits.
- All external doors open onto the playground, which has direct access to the assembly point on Priestman House playground.
- The curtains have been re-made so they do not hide the fire exit signs.

#### **Assembly Point**

• Pre-Prep School playground.

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

 All recommendations have been completed except for the removal of the shoot bolts on the fire exits in the Roberts Hall. It is not possible to secure the door without any shoot bolts but they will be removed from one of each pair.

## Main House - East Corridor, Cookery Room and Classroom M3

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of one floor and a loft conversion. It is of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- Computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

 There are outside-line telephones in the Cookery Room to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

• There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- The assembly point in the Orchard can be reached via the Refectory doors.
- There is also a door onto the Terrace.

## **Assembly Point**

The Orchard

## **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

• External emergency lighting is not necessary in a conservatory where the internal emergency lighting above the external doors can be seen outside.

## **Main House**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of three floors and is of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof. Access to the first floor is by three staircases. Access to the second floor is by three staircases.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The television, computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Occasional supplementary heat is supplied by oil filled radiators, which could cause a
  fire if flammable materials are left near them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in Reception, eight of the offices, the Staffroom and the Library to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There is emergency lighting in all corridors and stairs.
- The fire doors in the corridor on the first floor are connected to the fire alarm system and close automatically when the alarm sounds.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All downstairs classrooms and the Library have external doors.
- Exit from the first floor is down the three internal staircases.
- Exit from the second floor is down the three internal staircases.
- All external doors open onto the Terrace or front drive, which have direct access to the assembly point in the Orchard.

#### **Assembly Point**

The Orchard

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

• All recommendations have been completed (Main Building Reports 313–364) except for the call point in the boiler room and emergency lighting in M4 and M5. The boiler room is very small and the call point and extinguishers are directly outside. M4 and M5 all have external doors onto the Terrace with external lighting on the Terrace.

#### **Second Floor**

• All the corridors and rooms used by the Sixth Form on the second floor have been fitted with fire detectors.

## **Wentworth Buildings**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The buildings consist of one floor and are timber with felt cladding construction with plaster board on the internal walls.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Occasional supplementary heat is supplied by oil filled radiators.
- There is electric heating from wall mounted convector heaters.

#### 3. Security

• There are Banham intruder alarms with a 24-hour response system via a central station. The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are fire call points in all of the temporary buildings on the Main site to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas except lavatories.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All rooms have two exits.
- All external doors open onto paths or playgrounds, which have direct access to the assembly points.

## **Assembly Point**

• The Hard Court area.

## **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

- All recommendations have been completed apart from emergency lighting.
- Emergency lighting is not necessary in a single storey building with external doors.

## **The Workshops**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in departments' individual risk assessment documents. The building houses 'The Workshops', in effect a Design Technology classroom and adjoining workshops, and Innovation Centre.

#### 1. Structure

• The buildings consist of one floor and are brick built with tiled roofs and with plaster board on the internal walls. The Innovation Centre classroom is a pebble dash prefabricated building.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- There is gas central heating and an oxyacetylene tank is housed in the building

#### 3. Security

• There are Banham intruder alarms with a 24-hour response system via a central station. The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are fire call points in all of the temporary buildings on the Main site to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas except lavatories.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All rooms except the mess room have two exits.
- All external doors in the classrooms open onto paths or paved areas giving access to the assembly point.

## **Assembly Point**

• On Sports Playing Fields on Cooper's Campus.

## **Pavilion**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of two floors and of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof. Access to the first floor is by a staircase.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- Computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### 3. Security

There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
 The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There is an outside line telephone in the staffroom upstairs to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas except lavatories.

#### **Fire Exits**

- The downstairs classroom has an external door.
- The boys' changing room has an external door.
- The girls' changing room is connected by a corridor to the external door.
- Exit from the first floor is by an internal staircase.

#### **Assembly Point**

On Sports Playing Fields

## **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

• All recommendations have been completed except for emergency lighting in the downstairs classroom. This is not deemed necessary as it has an external door.

## **The Theatre**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

- The Theatre consists of concrete floor slabs on ground beams/piled foundations, insulation and screeds where appropriate. Steel framed construction with composite steel deck/concrete floors and walkable flat roof areas. Cavity walls with wet cast stone masonry block exterior, Rockwool mineral wool insulation and medium density concrete block internal leaf. Internal walls in high density concrete block and some metal stud partitioning.
- Main flat roof in proprietary zinc covered aluminium sheeting on Rockwool mineral wool insulation and metal deck substrate.
- Glazing is by way of argon filled aluminium double glazed units double glazed Pilkington planar systems.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The television, computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Heating is by way of gas fired boilers located in the second floor plant room area above the changing rooms feeding underfloor heating pipes throughout.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station. The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night. There is a keypad door lock system in place.
- The building is also covered by external lighting operated by a timer.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the offices upstairs and the classroom downstairs to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### Electrical

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### Fire

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas except toilets.

#### **Fire Exits**

- There are three protected staircases/routes from the first floor. One at the rear of the
  premises (north) and one from each wing (south east and south west) at the front of the
  building. Each staircase provides access to a set of double fire exit doors to open air
  and pathways leading to the muster point.
- Refuge points with an emergency voice communication (EVC) system have been provided within each internal protected staircases and the staircase down to the basement.
- There is an emergency escape lighting system in place set to meet the criteria as set out in BS 5266.

#### **Assembly Point**

• The Orchard.

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

All recommendations have been completed.

## **The Music School**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consist of one floor with two classrooms and one office and are timber construction with plaster board on the internal walls under a tiled roof.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The amplifiers, computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Heat is supplied by under floor heating.

#### 3. Security

• There are Banham intruder alarms with a 24-hour response system via a central station. The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night. There is a keypad door lock system in place.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

- There are fire call points in all of the rooms to summon help in the event of an emergency.
- There are outside line telephones in the office area to summon help in the event of an emergency.

## **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### Fire

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All classrooms have two exits.
- All external doors in the classrooms open onto paths or walkways, which have direct access to the assembly points.

## **Assembly Point**

The Sports Field.

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

All recommendations have been completed.

## **Cooper's Cottage**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of two floors, of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof. Access to the first floor is by a carpeted staircase. At first-floor level, rooms are isolated from the stairwell by doors.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- The gas central heating boiler is situated in the Laundry room. A fire here could spread upwards to the rest of the building.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via central station.
- The front and back doors are locked at all times.
- The doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the offices to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### Fire

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- The front door opens onto the pathway that leads to the Sports Hall, from where personnel may proceed via the pathway to the assembly point on the sports pitches.
- The back door open onto the garden, which has access to the assembly point on the sports pitches.

#### **Assembly Point**

• Cooper's Cottage lawn and then sports field.

**CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation** 

All recommendations have been completed.

## **The Sports Hall**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

- The premises consist of a purpose built sports hall of one and two floors covering approximately 1000 square metres.
- Consisting of The main hall, an office area, changing rooms and an upper viewing area.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
   The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night. There is a keypad door lock system in place.
- The building is also covered by external lighting operated by a timer.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the offices to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- Call points situated around the premises along with smoke detectors fitted to the ceiling in the main parts of the premises.
- Fire alarm system meets BS 5839.
- Plant room The electrical and gas systems have been so designed that when the fire alarm actuates, the electrical and gas systems are closed down automatically in the plant room.

#### **Fire Exits**

- Side fire escape route to metal staircase with double fire doors opening onto a metal fire escape staircase, this leads down to a path way which runs along the side of the building towards another set of metal stairs, and onto the muster point.
- Good access and egress from Clarence Lane into university/school site. The fire assembly point is located on the playing fields adjacent to the main entrance of Clarence Lane.
- There is an emergency escape lighting system in place set to meet the criteria as set out in BS 5266.

#### **Assembly Point**

• The Sports field.

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

• All recommendations have been completed.

## **The Refectory**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

- The Refectory consists of concrete floor slabs on ground beams/piled foundations, insulation and screeds where appropriate. Steel framed construction with composite steel deck/concrete floors and walkable flat roof areas. Cavity walls with wet cast stone masonry block exterior, Rockwool mineral wool insulation and medium density concrete block internal leaf. Internal walls in high density concrete block and some metal stud partitioning.
- Consisting of two halls, a servery, kitchen, pan wash area and an upper mezzanine.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- Heating to the Refectory building is provided by a sealed, low pressure hot water system.
- The system comprises of radiators, radiant panels and underfloor heating.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
   The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night. There is a keypad door lock system in place.
- The building is also covered by external lighting operated by a timer.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the offices to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Flectrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas.
- Plant room The electrical and gas systems have been so designed that when the fire alarm actuates, the electrical and gas systems are closed down automatically in the plant room.

#### **Fire Exits**

- There are two protected staircases/routes from the first floor. Each staircase provides access to a set of double fire exit doors to open air and pathways leading to the muster point.
- There is an emergency escape lighting system in place set to meet the criteria as set out in BS 5266.

#### **Assembly Point**

The Orchard.

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

All recommendations have been completed.

## **Bursary**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of two floors and of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof. Access to the first floor is by a staircase. The Bursary is situated on the ground floor, the first floor is residential flat.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### **3.** Security

• There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station. The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones downstairs to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas except toilets.

#### **Fire Exits**

The downstairs has an external door.

## **Assembly Point**

• The front driveway.

## **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

All recommendations have been completed.

## **Art School Classroom**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of one floor and is timber with felt cladding construction with plaster board on the internal walls.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Occasional supplementary heat is supplied by portable convector heaters, which could cause a fire if flammable materials are left near them.
- There is gas central heating.

#### 3. Security

- There are Banham intruder alarms with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There is an outside line telephone in the Art School

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All rooms open onto a corridor.
- At each end of the corridor is an exit, which has direct access to the assembly point.

#### **Assembly Point**

On Sports Playing Fields.

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

- All recommendations have been completed apart from emergency lighting and fire control methods for the boiler.
- Emergency lighting has been installed in the Art Room and the corridor.
- There are no extinguishers next to the boilers as staff are not to tackle a boiler fire. The building must be evacuated and the fire brigade called.

## **The Swimming Pool**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

 The building consists of a single storey, with a galvanised steel framework and walls and roof of polycarbonate.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- The gas central heating boiler is situated in the changing room. A fire here could spread to the rest of the building. An additional gas central heating boiler is situated in the plant room.

## 3. Security

• The door is locked at all times except when the pool is in use.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

 There is an outside line telephone in the pool to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

#### **Fire Exits**

 The door opens onto the garden, which has direct access to the assembly point in the Orchard.

#### **Assembly Point**

The Orchard

## **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

 All recommendations have been completed except for emergency lighting in the plant area, and extinguishers next to the boilers. The plant room is only entered by the maintenance man responsible for the pool and it is so small that it is not possible to be more than a few feet from the door. There are no extinguishers next to the boilers as staff are not to tackle the boilers if they catch fire. The building must be evacuated and the fire brigade called.

# **The Lodge**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of two floors, of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof. Access to the first floor is by a carpeted staircase. At first-floor level, rooms are isolated from the stairwell by doors.

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- The computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- The gas central heating boiler is situated in the ground floor staff office. A fire here could spread upwards to the rest of the building.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via central station.
- The front door is locked at all times.
- The back doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the offices to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### Fire

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- The front door opens onto Clarence Lane, from where personnel may proceed via a side gate to the assembly point on the hardstanding adjacent to Priory vehicle gate.
- The back and side doors open onto the garden, which has direct access to the assembly point on the adjacent hard standing.
- There is an external fire escape accessed from the first floor.

#### **Assembly Point**

Hardstanding adjacent to Priory vehicle gate

#### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

• Emergency lighting has been fitted to the stairwell and to the lobby. The classrooms have external windows and doors into the emergency lit lobby. The first floor offices have an external window and a door from the Deputy Head (pastoral)'s office onto the fire escape. It is not necessary to have emergency lighting in these rooms.

# **The Prep School**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Department's individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

• The building consists of two floors and is of conventional brick construction under a tiled roof. Access to the first floor is by two staircases. At first floor level, all rooms are isolated from the stairwell by two fire doors

#### 2. Fire Hazards

- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- Computer monitors and processors could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- There is electric under floor heating.

#### 3. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day; locked at night.

#### 4. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

• There are outside line telephones in the staffroom, the offices, the laboratory and the Art Room to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

### **Fire**

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.

• There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.

#### **Fire Exits**

- All downstairs classrooms have external doors.
- There is an external door in each of the three entrance lobbies.
- All external doors open onto the garden, which has direct access to the assembly point on the Prep School hardcourt.
- There is a refuge area at the top of the stairs next to the Art Room.

### **Assembly Point**

Prep School Hardcourt.

**CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation** 

• All recommendations have been completed.

# **New School and Humanities Building**

The scope of this assessment includes the building as a whole and its fittings. It excludes any considerations of safety that apply to activities that may take place in it, which are set out in Departments' individual risk assessment documents.

#### 1. Structure

The building consists of two inter-connecting blocks (Priory Wing and Clarence Wing)
arranged over three/four floors and of conventional brick/stone construction under a
single ply roofing membrane over mineral wool insulation. Access to the upper and
lower ground floors is by four staircases and two lifts, one in each block, for use by the
disabled.

#### 2. Use

 The building is large and houses in New School: 16 classrooms, 6 laboratories, a library over two floors, science preparation rooms, offices and lavatories. In the Humanities building there are three classrooms and two offices.

#### 3. Fire Hazards

- There are some 400 wooden pupil lockers containing clothing and books. Pupils are not allowed to bring any form of fire lighting materials to School.
- The building contains quantities of flammable materials that could burn if exposed to sparks or excessive heat, notably in the ground floor chemical store.
- Faulty electrical equipment could cause overheating and consequent combustion of insulating materials.
- Air cooled electrical equipment could overheat and ignite if objects are placed on or near their cooling vents and block them.
- Central heating is provided by gas fired under floor heating.

#### 4. Security

- There is a Banham intruder alarm with a 24-hour response system via a central station.
- The outside doors are unlocked during the day and locked at night.

### 5. Control Methods Used to Reduce Risks

#### General

 There are telephones in the offices and science prep rooms to summon help in the event of an emergency.

#### **Electrical**

- A qualified electrician checks all electrical appliances regularly.
- The users make visual checks.

#### Fire

- Flammable materials are kept away from all electrical equipment.
- The manufacturing company tests all extinguishers annually.
- Testing records are stuck to each appliance.
- There is an automatic fire detection and warning system, which is checked annually by the manufacturers.
- There are smoke detectors in all areas.
- The five staircases (two in each wing of New School and one the Humanities building) lead naturally to the fire exits. If any staircase is blocked, the alternative can easily be used.
- All external doors open onto paths which have direct access to the assembly points outside the building.

#### **Assembly Points**

 The Orchard, the Hard Court, the Hardstanding adjacent to the Humanities building and Front Drive

### **CFS Systems: Risk Management Assessment and Evaluation**

Inspection complete. Report and recommendations received and actioned.

# **New School Building**

Evacuation routes are as detailed in **Appendices 1-3** to this document. Diagrammatic representations of these routes are included in these.

Fire Hazards	
No change	

No change

Security

#### **Control Method Used to Reduce Risks**

No change

#### **Fire Exits**

• Exits are numerous. The ones designated for use are: First Porch; Second Porch, Third Porch and the lower ground floor exit facing Macleod House. However, in the event of an exit being blocked, Second Porch exit south to the woods at ground level and the three exits on to the Piazza can be used.

### **Assembly Points**

- The Orchard
- The Drive in front of New School
- The Hard Court adjacent to Priory Wing

## **CONCLUSION**

Health and safety issues take priority over all other considerations at lbstock.

Fire presents the most serious hazard, with the risk of death or injury to people and the destruction of property.

The School acknowledges its responsibilities to comply with legal requirements and ensure that everything possible is done to ensure the protection of personnel and property.

The Health and Safety Policy sets out the School's requirements, which include a commitment to maintain and improve provisions for safety.

To this end, employees are constantly alert to potential hazards and by following guidelines for best practice, seek to provide a safe and secure environment for pupils and for themselves.

## Queries

Queries on this policy should be directed to the Bursar.

### **Review and Verification**

This policy is reviewed annually by the Bursar.

# **Appendices**

See Appendices 1–3 for Fire Drill, Muster Point and Escape Route information.

# Appendix 1

# Fire Evacuation Procedure 2024-2025

1. All staff, whether teaching or not, must participate when the alarm sounds in a particular building. At the sound of the alarm, those teaching must accompany the pupils they are with, in silence, to the Muster Point. The evacuation routes are posted in every room. If you are the first member of staff through a set of external double doors, please unlock the second door by raising the side catches. The Pool does not have an alarm and you will be alerted by a member of the Maintenance Team.

#### 2. Musters:

PH & RH	PH Playground	P1-4, P10, P14-P16	Hard standing
			outside Lodge
MCH, P17, Dance	MCH	New School Library	Lower Front
Studio	Hardcourt		Drive
C1, C2, C6, C7, C11, C12	Orchard	P5-P9, P11-P13	
Armadillos		C3-C5, C8-C10, C13, C14, in	Upper Front
		transit from Cooper's Campus	Drive
Main House, Ballroom,		A1-5, MU1-4, DT workshops	Sports Field
Refectory, R4, R5, R6		CC1-4, in transit to Cooper's	Cooper's
		Campus	Cottage Lawn
		Theatre	Orchard

## 3. Sweeping Buildings:

RH	HNE	Locker Areas of Priory Wing	GDO
PH	ADE	P14-P16	SBA
MCH	LAL (gd fl) EGR (1st fl) APA (1st fl)	Lower Ground Loos	DEV/GKE
O1-O5, Armadillos	whoever is there *	Music Classrooms	NWA
Main House (including Medical Centre and Practice Rooms)	JDP (gd fl) CWO (1st fl) LFA (2nd fl)	Sports Hall & Loos	TGR/NPO
Refectory	JST	Theatre	A Ward, R Allport
New School Classrooms	JSA (Clarence Wing) ACA (Priory Wing)	Art School	IHA

In the absence of the designated Sweeper, Sweeping should be done by one of the remaining staff, if possible. If a Sweeper is teaching, the priority is to escort his/her pupils out; the Sweeper must not re-enter the building. Sweepers should report to the SMT member on duty and Fire Marshalls will check with SMT that the building is clear. If the building has not been swept, the Fire Marshall will do it.

\* In buildings where there are no common areas and pupils are always under the direct supervision of staff, it is the responsibility of the staff in those rooms to ensure that all the pupils are accounted for.

#### 4. Lining up and Checking:

- Groups should line up in single file and in silence. Teachers on preparation must assist and may be given a specific task. A Fire Marshall will report to each of the Musters. Staff should also remain in silence and insist that pupils also do so.
- The Nurse, Librarian and any Support or visiting music / dance staff should also line up and stay with pupils under their care.
- Fire Marshals should check, for their designated area, that buildings have been swept and that all single classrooms and loos in that area were cleared. The Maintenance Team should notify any PE staff in the pool to be on standby.

#### 5. Break and Lunchtime:

It is sufficient to clear the building concerned and to line up the pupils in Tutor Groups and wait for further instructions.

#### 6. Reception staff:

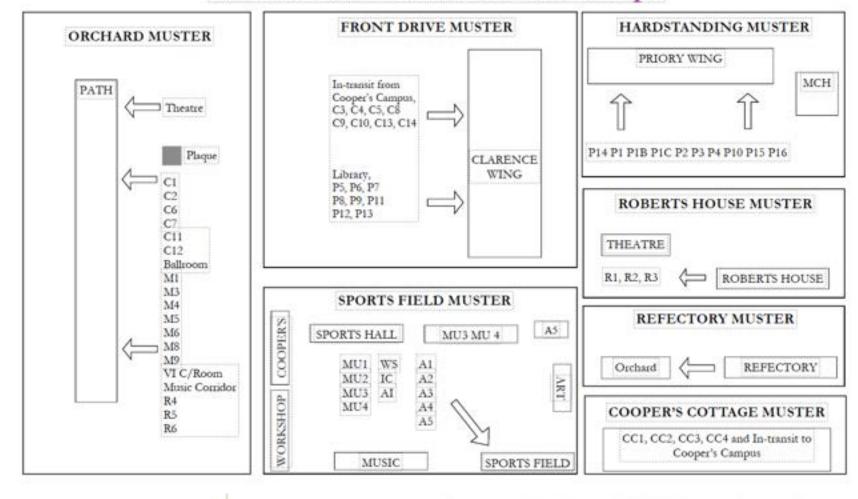
An Alert Bell will sound in Reception regardless of where the problem is. The Maintenance Team should be summoned immediately and the Bursar informed. There is no need to evacuate Reception when the Alert Bell sounds. In the event of the Main House alarm sounding, one member of staff should stay to operate telephones, unless told otherwise.

No-one should attempt to re-enter buildings until given the 'all clear' from the Fire Marshals or the Fire Brigade (in the event of a real fire). After a fire evacuation drill, the classes will be dismissed, in silence, one line at a time. The fire evacuation drill will be followed by a de-briefing session between the Head, Bursar, and the staff involved.

# **Appendix 2**



### SENIOR SCHOOL MUSTER POSITIONS FOR FIRE DRILL 2024-25



# **Appendix 3**

#### New School Evacuation Routes 2024-2025 ←PRIORY LANE ←CLARENCE LANE → → Clarence Wing: Second Floor P13P12P11 C14C13 Atrium C12C11 Priory Wing: First Floor $4^{\text{th}}$ Library Clarence Wing: First Floor Link to (down spiral stairs) Common Room C10C9C8 Atrium C7C6 P9P8P7 $3^{rd}$ Clarence Wing: Ground Floor Link to Reception Porch Priory Wing: Ground Floor $3^{\rm rd}$ C5C4C3 C2C1 Porch Porch $4^{\text{th}}$ Library 3rd **Evacuation Routes** Cloakrooms Clarence Wing: Boys Girls C1, C2, C6, C7, C11, C12 exit via 1" Stairs, through 1" Porch and onto Orchard P3 P2 Humanities P1 P5, C3, C4, C5, C8, C9, C10, C13, C14 & P1B Cloakrooms exit via 2nd Stairs, through 2nd Clarence Wing: LG Floor P1C Porch onto Front Drive Priory Wing: Priory Wing: Lower Ground Floor P4, P6-P10 exit through Humanities Porch and onto adjacent H/standing; P1, P1B, P1C, P2, P3, P14-P16 exit directly from classrooms onto adjacent H/standing <del>-Piaz</del>za P5-P9, P11-P13 & Library exit via 3rd Stairs, through 3rd Porch on to Front Drive Piazza