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## Rationale/statement of purpose for the policy

This policy is applicable to all those with the responsibility for undertaking risk assessments for activities which are under their control.

Its objectives are:

- to ensure that major risks are identified and managed with a view to to promoting the safety and welfare of all in our school community
- to ensure that suitable and sufficient risk assessments are undertaken for activities where there is likely to be a significant risk
- that identified measures are implemented to control risk so far as practicable
- that those affected have suitable information on what to do
- that risk assessments are recorded and reviewed where necessary

### Details and advice on responsibilities

The headmaster will be responsible for the overarching risk management policy of the school. The senior leadership team and other key organisers of activities will be responsible for the implementation of this policy.

All members of staff are made aware of this policy through the staff handbook as well as during induction and are responsible for taking reasonable care of their own safety, together with that of pupils and others present. Staff are responsible for cooperating with the headmaster and members of the senior leadership team. All members of staff are responsible for reporting any health and safety issues, risks or defects to the senior management team.

#### Measures taken to provide education and support

It is important that all members of staff and pupils are informed of the possible risks at school and outside school (e.g. during lunch break or during educational trips).

Our PSHE programme and assemblies are directed towards promoting an increasing understanding as the pupil develops, of the risks that exist in both the real and the electronic worlds, and one sensible precautions that should be taken. Science lessons encourage students to conduct their own safety-related research into the potential hazards of chemicals, gas, electricity and flammable materials.

The school promotes first-aid courses for its pupils and offer this as part of its IB programme.

# Frequently asked questions

## What is a risk assessment?

A risk assessment is a tool for conducting a formal examination of the harm or hazard to people that could result from a particular activity or situation.

# What does a risk assessment take into account?

A risk assessment takes into account four factors:

- 1. Hazard something with the potential to cause harm
- 2. Risk an evaluation of the likelihood of the hazard causing harm
- 3.

Appendix A