

St Martin's School School Sporting Activity Policy

Introduction

School Sporting activities that are part of the normal curriculum and take place during the normal school day follow the Operating Procedure below.

These visits/activities:

- must have the permission of the Head, Deputy head or Proprietor.
- must leave a signing out sheet with the office.
- do not require parental consent.
- do not normally need additional risk assessments/notes (other than following the Operating Procedure below).

Sports

This policy includes any sport which is non adventurous and forms part of the normal curriculum. It may include but is not restricted to:

- Football
- Tag Rugby
- Netball
- Rounders
- Athletics

Exclusions

This policy specifically excludes adventurous activities such as:

- Kayaking
- Sailing
- Climbing
- Abseiling
- High ropes
- Zip lining

Operating Procedure for Sporting activities

The following are potentially significant issues/hazards when carrying out sporting activity:

- Road traffic
- Other people, including members of the public
- Animals
- Losing a pupil
- Uneven surfaces and slips, trips and falls.
- Weather conditions
- Sport specific issues (falls, tackles etc)

These are managed by a combination of the following

• The Head, Deputy head or Proprietor must give verbal approval before a group leaves.



- Only staff judged competent to supervise in this environment are approved.
- Regular handwashing or hand sanitising is in place.
- Students are briefed on keeping their distance from members of the public
- The selected route takes the least busy option
- There will normally be a minimum of two adults.
- Staff are familiar with the area and location.
- Pupils have been trained in the standard techniques for road crossings.
- Pupils are fully briefed on what to do if they become separated from the group.
- Pupil's kit and footwear is checked for appropriateness prior to leaving school.
- Staff are aware of any relevant pupil medical information and ensure that any required medication is available. Staff will leave a completed signing out sheet with the office.
- A mobile is taken with the group and the number of this is recorded on the signing out sheet.
- Appropriate PPE and a first Aid kit are taken.
- The group will be returning to school within the times of the normal school day.

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