

# Freedom of Information Policy

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## Freedom of Information Policy (Including Publication Scheme) Freedom of Information Act 2000

The Management Committee is responsible for maintenance of this scheme.

#### Introduction: what a publication scheme is and why it has been developed

One of the aims of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (which is referred to as FOIA in the rest of this document) is that public authorities, including all maintained schools, should be clear and proactive about the information they will make public.

To do this we must produce a publication scheme, setting out:

- The classes of information which we publish or intend to publish
- The manner in which the information will be published
- Whether the information is available free of charge or on payment

The scheme covers information already published and information that is to be published in the future. All information in our publication scheme is available in paper form.

Some information which we hold may not be made public, e.g., personal information. There are clear exemptions to the requirement to produce information on demand, so as to protect confidential / sensitive / personal data, for example about children or members of staff.

This publication scheme conforms to the model scheme for schools approved by the Information Commissioner.

## Aims and Objectives

The school aims:

- To provide a caring, disciplined and challenging environment that stimulates the intellectual, emotional, physical, moral and spiritual growth of the pupils
- To enable each child, whatever their ability, to recognise their own worth and to accept their responsibilities to society
- To provide a broad and stimulating curriculum based on The National Curriculum, which seeks to develop lively, inquiring minds, and enables children to understand the society in which they live
- To nurture those basic skills and concepts, which are necessary for future education and development
- To encourage self-confidence, self-discipline and self-motivation so that children may become self-reliant in their learning
- To enable children to strive for excellence and this publication scheme is a means of showing how we are pursuing these aims

### Categories of information published

The publication scheme guides you to information which we currently publish (or have recently published) or which we will publish in the future. This is split into categories of information known as 'classes'. These are contained in section 6 of this scheme.

The classes of information that we undertake to make available are organised into four broad topic areas:

RAP Website – information published on the school website.

**Management Committee Documents** – information published in the Management Committee's Annual Report and other Management Committee documents.

Pupils & Curriculum – information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.

School Policies and other information related to the school - information about policies that relate to the school in general.

#### How to request information?

If you require a paper version of any of the documents within the scheme, please contact the school by telephone, email, or letter. Contact details are set out below.

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Fencepiece Road
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Essex IG6 2LB
020 8501 3951
rosdennison@nrhs.redbridge.sch.uk

To help us process your request quickly, please clearly mark any correspondence "PUBLICATION SCHEME REQUEST" (in CAPITALS please)

If the information you're looking for isn't available via the scheme you can still contact the school to ask if we have it.

#### Paying for information

Single copies of information covered by this publication are provided free unless stated otherwise in Section 6. If your request means that we have to do a lot of photocopying or printing, or pay a large postage charge, or is for a priced item such as some printed publications or videos, we will let you know the cost before fulfilling your request. Where there is a charge, this will be indicated by a f sign in the description box.

# **Currently Published**

**Group Websites** – This section sets out specific information published on the school websites, in accordance with the School Information (England) (Amendment) Regulations 2012.

Class	Description
Specified	1. The name, postal address and telephone number of the school, and
information on	the name of a person to whom enquiries should be addressed
school website	2. Either—
	a) the determined admission arrangements for the school in relation to
	each relevant age group at the school, including any arrangements
	for selection, any oversubscription criteria and an explanation of the
	process of applying for a school place; or
	b) information as to where and by what means Parents/Carers may
	access that information in the local authority's composite prospectus
	published on their website
	3. Information as to where and by what means Parents/Carers may access
	the most recent report about the school published by her Majesty's
	Chief Inspector of Education, Children's Services and Skills
	4. The school's most recent key stage 2 results as published by the
	Secretary of State under the following column headings in the School
	Performance Tables published on the Department for Education's (DfE)
	website:
	a) Percentage of pupils achieving the expected standard in
	Reading, Writing and Mathematics
	b) Average progress in Reading
	c) Average progress in Writing
	d) Average progress in Mathematics
	e) Percentage of pupils achieving a high-level of attainment in
	Reading, Writing and Mathematics
	f) Average scaled score in Reading
	g) Average scaled score in Mathematics
	5. Information as to where and by what means Parents/Carers may access
	the School Performance Tables published by the Secretary of State on
	the DfE's website
	6. The following information about the school curriculum:
	a) In relation to each academic year, the content of the curriculum
	followed by the school for each subject and details as to how
	additional information relating to the curriculum may be
	obtained
	b) In relation to key stage 1, the names of any phonics or reading
	schemes in Operation
	7. The measures are determined by the Headteacher under section 89 of

	the Education and Inspections Act 2006  8. The amount of the school's allocation from the Pupil Premium grant in respect of the current academic year;  • Details of how it is intended that the allocation will be spent  • Details of how the previous academic year's allocation was spent, and the effect of this expenditure on the educational attainment of those pupils at the school in respect of whom grant funding was allocated  a) The amount of the school's allocation of Pupil Premium grant  b) Details of the main barriers to educational achievement  c) How the allocation will be spent to address the barriers and why these approaches were taken  d) How the school will measure the impact of the Pupil Premium  e) The date of the next Pupil Premium strategy review  9. The report was prepared by the school under section 317(5)(a) of EA1996 (duties of the Management Committee in relation to special educational needs)  10. The school's charging and remissions policy is determined by them under section 457 of EA 1996
Instrument of	<ul><li>11. A statement of the school's ethos and values</li><li>The name of the school</li></ul>
Management	The name of the school     The category of the school
Committee	The name of the Management Committee
	The manner in which the Management Committee is constituted
	<ul> <li>The term of office of each category of Management Committee member if less than 4 years</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The name of anybody entitled to appoint any category of Management Committee member</li> <li>Details of any trust</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>If the school has a religious character, a description of the ethos.</li> <li>The date the instrument takes effect</li> </ul>
Minutes of a meeting of the Management Committee	Agreed minutes of meetings of the Management Committee and its committees [current and last full academic school year]

**Pupils & Curriculum Policies** - This section gives access to information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.

 $^{\rm 1}$  Some information might be confidential or otherwise exempt from the publication by law – we cannot therefore publish this

Class	Description
Home –	Statement of the school's aims and values, the school's responsibilities, the
school	Parent/Carer responsibilities and the school's expectations of its pupils for
agreement	example homework arrangements
Curriculum	Statement on following the policy for the secular curriculum subjects and
Policy	Religious Education and schemes of work and syllabuses currently used by the school
Sex	Statement of policy with regard to sex and relationship education
Education	
Policy	
Special	Information about the school's policy on providing for pupils with special
Education	educational needs
Needs Policy	
Accessibility	Plan for increasing participation of disabled pupils in the school's curriculum,
Plans	improving the accessibility of the physical environment and improving delivery of information to disabled pupils
Race Equality	Statement of policy for promoting race equality
Policy	
Collective	Statement of arrangements for the required daily act of collective worship
Worship	
Child	Statement of policy for safeguarding and promoting the welfare of pupils at
Protection	the school (from March 2004)
Policy	
Pupil	Statement of general principles on behaviour and discipline and of measures
Discipline	taken by the Headteacher to prevent bullying

School Policies and other information related to the school - This section gives access to information about policies that relate to the school in general.

Class	Description
Published reports	Published report of the last inspection of the school and the
of Ofsted referring	summary of the report and where appropriate inspection reports of
expressly to the	religious education in those schools designated as having a religious
school	character
Charging and	A statement of the school's policy with respect to charges and
Remissions	remissions for any optional extra or board and lodging for which
Policies	charges are permitted, for example school publications, music
	tuition, trips
School session	Details of school session and dates of school terms and holidays
times and term	

dates	
Health and	Statement of general policy with respect to health and safety at work
Safety Policy	of employees (and others) and the organisation and arrangements for
and risk	carrying out the policy
assessment	
Complaints	Statement of procedures for dealing with complaints
Procedure	
Performance	Statement of procedures adopted by the Management Committee
Management of	relating to the performance management of staff and the annual
Staff	report of the Headteacher on the effectiveness of appraisal
	procedures
Staff Conduct,	Statement of procedure for regulating conduct and discipline of
Discipline and	school staff and procedures by which staff may seek redress for
Grievance	grievance
Curriculum	Any statutory instruments, departmental circulars and administrative
circulars and	memoranda sent by the DfE and Skills to the Headteacher or
statutory	Management Committee relating to the curriculum
instruments	
Annex A -	Annex A provides a list of other documents that are held by the
Other	school and are available on request
documents	

#### Feedback and Complaints

We welcome any comments or suggestions you may have about the scheme. If you want to make any comments about this publication scheme or if you require further assistance or wish to make a complaint then initially this should be addressed to the Federation Business Manager at school.

If you are not satisfied with the assistance that you get or if we have not been able to resolve your complaint and you feel that a formal complaint needs to be made then this should be addressed to the Information Commissioner's Office. This is the organisation that ensures compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and that deals with formal complaints.

They can be contacted at: Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF Enquiry/Information Line: 0303 123 1113