

Supervision of Pupils Policy

This policy relates to all sections of St Joseph's College, including the Early Years Foundation Stage.

Introduction

St Joseph's College recognises and accepts its responsibilities to ensure, as far as is reasonably practicable, the health, safety and welfare of its staff, pupils and visitors. The College takes the following steps to ensure the supervision of pupils.

College Hours

Pupils should not be in College before 7.45am as they will not be supervised. The Dining Hall will open for breakfast at 7.45am; the Senior Library opens at 7.45am and the Prep pupils are supervised in the playground from 8.00am. Pupils should not be in College after 6.00pm unless they are being directly supervised by a member of staff. Pupils are not allowed on site without supervision.

Supervision outside of lessons

At least two members of staff are always on duty in both the Prep and Senior Schools in order to supervise pupils. The staff duty rota is displayed in the Staff Common Rooms.

All duties are carried out by members of the teaching staff and assistants. In addition, Lunchtime Assistants are employed in the Prep School to help supervise at lunchtimes.

In the EYFS outdoor area, at least two members of staff are always present during playtimes.

Risk assessments are regularly carried out to ensure safety for all areas.

A member of the Senior Leadership Team is always on duty from 7.45am to 6pm.

The main duty times are:
Breakfast (7.45am - 8.00am)
Early morning duty (8.00am - 8.20am)
Break duty
Lunch-time duty
After-school duty (3.40pm - 4.00pm)

Arrangements are made to ensure pupils are supervised during events that bring small groups into school out of hours, e.g. play and concert rehearsals. Members of the PE Department supervise pupils on both home and away matches.



Pupils from Years 12 and 13 may leave the premises at lunch-time. Pupils from other year groups are expected to remain on site throughout the school day.

Registration

We take a register of pupils at the start of the morning and afternoon sessions. Parents are responsible for notifying the school if their child is absent for any reason. The school will always contact the parent if a child fails to arrive at school without an explanation.

Lessons

During lessons, the supervision and safety of pupils in classrooms, laboratories and workshops is the responsibility of class teachers. If for any reason (e.g. the conditions or location of equipment, the physical state of the room or the splitting of a class for practical work) teachers consider they cannot accept this responsibility, they should immediately discuss the matter with their Head, one of the College Deputy Heads or the Bursar.

Peripatetic Lessons

Pupils in Year 2 and under will be accompanied to their individual lessons by a member of staff. Pupils in Years 3–13 will able to attend their individual lessons without the need of being accompanied.

EYFS Pupils

- The safety of all children is our highest priority, and because they are so young, we need to be particularly vigilant. We will therefore:
- In the Early Years Centre we will ensure a staff ratio of 1:13 when a qualified teacher is present, and 1:8 when the teacher is not present. Staff ratios will satisfy the statutory qualification requirements. Exceptionally, where the quality of care and safety and security of children is maintained, changes to the ratios may be made.
- Ensure adequate supervision of children when they are eating
- Only allow a child to go home with a parent, unless we have received advance permission (preferably in writing) that he or she may be collected by another adult
- Never allow a child to leave the premises unsupervised.
- There is always at least one adult in charge of the outside play area which is fenced off from the rest of the school



- Ask all visitors to identify themselves and to state their business before we give them access to the Early Years Centre. Visitors sign in, wear security badges and are escorted throughout their visit. They sign out on leaving
- Check all pupils out as they are collected by their parents or carers

Medical Support

A number of members of the teaching staff and non-teaching staff are trained and qualified as First Aiders and are able to give emergency first aid. The names of First Aiders are published in first aid notices that are displayed around the school. We always make sure that a qualified paediatric first aider is on duty whilst our EYFS children are in school. First aid boxes are in all potentially high risk areas, as well as in the School Office/Finance Office/Medical Rooms.

Supervision whilst travelling to and from School

Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children travel safely to and from school. Pupils are not supervised by a member of staff when travelling on the school buses; but are expected to behave responsibly. We would always investigate complaints about poor behaviour. Teaching Assistants escort and supervise Prep pupils until the school buses depart.

Educational Visits

The arrangements for the supervision of pupils during educational visits and trips out of schools are described in our policy: "Educational Visits."

Unsupervised access by Pupils

Pupils are not allowed into the swimming pool without a qualified member of staff in charge, nor are they allowed to use gymnastic, athletic or climbing equipment without supervision. Pupils are expected to follow reasonable instructions given to them by teachers or by qualified leaders in adventurous activities.

We ensure that pupils do not have unsupervised access to potentially dangerous areas, such as the swimming pool and the science laboratories. Doors to these areas are kept locked at all times when not in use. All flammables are kept securely locked in appropriate storage facilities.

Pupils do not have access to the Grounds, Maintenance, Catering and Caretaking areas of the school. Clear signs are displayed.



Security, Access Control and Workplace Safety

Our policy: "Security, Access Control Workplace Safety and Lone Working" describes the arrangements for safety of the College.

Staff Induction

All new members of the teaching staff receive a thorough induction into the College's expectations of the appropriate levels of pupil supervision. Guidance is given on areas within the buildings and grounds that should be regularly checked when on duty outside normal lesson times, and is available in the staff handbook.



Appendix 1: Prep School Description of Duties

Timing and Duty	Requirement of the Duty
0745 - 18.00	Duty Member of SLT to have overall responsibility/be the port of
On-Call Member of PLT	contact before and after school.
	At 1000 II B
	At 1800, the Prep Office Administrator should contact the duty
	member of SLT to inform them if there are any issues (such as
	uncollected pupils) and to discuss any further action if required
0745 - 0815	Breakfast cover from 7.45-8am by EYP
Supervision in Dining	From 8-8.15 by Teaching Assistant
Hall	When breakfast is finished, Teaching Assistant takes all pupils
	across to the EY Centre or Prep Playground
0800-0820 Supervision	Pupils are supervised in their classrooms from 8am. Four teaching
of Prep pupils in	assistants are on duty at the Prep gates as well as roaming cover
classrooms	within the Prep school building.
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1010 - 1030	Year 1 & 2 are supervised by 1 member of staff on the netball
Morning Break	court.
Supervision in	Year 3 & 4 are supervised by 1 member of staff on the junior
Playground	playground or field Year 5 & 6 are supervised by 1 member of staff on the field
	1 Teacher roams around the three areas. All staff have a radio.
1010 - 1030	Pupils to remain in own classrooms.
When wet	Staff on duty will discuss supervision of all classrooms and
Indoor supervision of	corridors.
classrooms, corridors	
and cloakrooms	
1200-1300	Class teachers walk their class to Dining Hall and remain until all
Dining Hall supervision	are seated and Lunchtime staff can take over responsibility.
	2 EYPs look after EY and REC pupils whilst eating lunch.
	See duty rota for numbers and timings of staff on duty
	2 EYPs and Teaching Assistant escort EY and REC pupils back to
	EY garden when lunch finished
1230-1300	Supervision for safety is paramount
Supervision in EY	2 staff on duty outside at all times
garden	1 staff will be inside the Centre to help with First Aid etc
	Pupils may go indoors to use the toilet, staff should be aware who has gone in and if help is needed.
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1300-1330	Supervision for safety is paramount
Supervision outdoors	Year 1 & 2 are supervised by 1 member of staff on the netball
for playtime	court.
	Year 3 & 4 are supervised by 1 member of staff on the junior
	playground or field
	Year 5 & 6 are supervised by 1 member of staff on the field. All
	staff have a radio.

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1450-1500	2 x EYPs + Teaching Assistants supervise EY and Rec in EYC	
EY afternoon break	garden for this 10 min playtime. Play equipment is used.	
1450-1500	Short break in playground outside classrooms.	
Year 1 and 2 Afternoon	If only one member of staff is available, other staff will be in	
break	classrooms and can be called if needed.	
	No play equipment to be used in this short break.	
1520-1545	2xEYPs walk Rec children booked for ASC to EYC.	
Supervision of pupils	One EYP escorts EY transport children to lobby.	
waiting for College	One staff look after pupils in chapel. Pupils signed onto registers,	
transport or sibling	then signed out by parents or taken to minibus.	
collection	Pupils to sit quietly and keep bags out of way of traffic.	
1535 – 1545	Class teacher takes their class to the changing room to collect	
Supervision of Junior	their PE kit.	
Changing Rooms		
1545	Two Teaching Assistants walk pupils to minibuses on Upper	
Walking pupils to	Redlands Road. One at front of line, one at rear.	
minibuses	Staff take walkie-talkies with them	
	Pupils watched as they get onto the minibus and checked that	
	have fastened seat belt.	
	Walkie-talkie returned to Office.	
1540 – 1555	Members of staff, with walkie-talkies, to stand inside Prep gate,	
Supervision by Prep	ensuring that pupils leave the school site safely with an adult. Any	
gate	pupil not collected by 15.55 is to be brought back to Prep so	
	contact can be made with their parent/carer.	



Appendix 2: Senior School Description of Duties

Timing and Duty	Requirem	ent of the Duty
7.45 - 18.00	Senior Member of Staff to have overall responsibility/be the	
On-Call Member of SLT	port of contact before and after school.	
	At 1800, the on-call memb	er of staff should contact the
	•	check that all pupils have been
	collected, and to discuss ar	ny further action if required.
7.45 - 8.15	Year 8, 9 and 10 pupils are	based in the Dining Hall in
Supervision in Dining	addition to those pupils getting breakfast from 0745 –	
Hall		on duty should supervise the
	pupils and ensure that they	are ready to go to tutor bases
	at 0815.	
7.45 - 8.15	There should be no pupils in tutor bases, pupils in corridors	
Indoor supervision of	should be either dropping their bags in the cloakroom or on	
tutor bases, corridors,	their way to their designated areas.	
cloakrooms, common		
rooms	Year 7	Library,
	Year 8, 9, and 10	Dining Hall
	Year 11 and Sixth Form	Common Rooms
	The member of staff on duty should patrol the tutor bases and corridors, ensuring that pupils are in their designated areas until they are ready to go to their tutor bases at 0815.	
	Any problems/concerns sho member of staff on duty.	ould be reported to the SLT
7.45 - 8.15 Supervision of Lower Seniors and Upper Seniors cloakrooms.	Once pupils arrive in school, they may want to ensure that their bags/lockers are prepared for the day ahead. Pupils should not be congregating in the cloakrooms, and they should go to their designated area at the earliest opportunity.	
	Any problems/concerns sho member of staff on duty.	·
10.10 - 10.30	-	resence during break time. Please
Supervision in Dining	ensure that pupils are using the bins and not leaving	
Hall		port the two sixth form pupils
10.1010.20	operating the tills.	l II A I Bii l
10.10 - 10.30	•	by the Astro Pitches and around
Supervision outdoors	by the swimming pool, pup	ils should not congregate at the



unless wet, otherwise inside	back of the building by the swimming pool and Lower Seniors Cloakroom door. There are two Sixth Form Prefects that will report to the duty member of staff and will be on hand to support and supervise outdoors. Only allow the year group on the rota for your day on the Astro, even if the pitch is empty and not in use by anyone. The duty member of staff will decide if it is too wet/inappropriate conditions to be outside, and will amend the door sign by the pupil entrance accordingly. The
	member of staff should ensure that all pupils are then in their own tutor base, Dining Hall, Library or Computer Rooms and support the member of staff on indoor duty.
10.10 - 10.30 Supervision outdoors, back of school, unless wet, otherwise inside	Staff should patrol the area around the back of school outside the Music Block, Gym, back gate and behind the Dining Hall.
10.10 - 10.30 Indoor supervision of tutor bases, corridors, cloakrooms, common rooms	During break time, pupils should not be in their tutor bases (unless it is a wet break). The member of staff should patrol the cloakrooms, tutor bases and common rooms.
13.15 - 14.00 SLT Dining Hall supervision	To oversee the pupils entering the dining hall. A rota for timings of sections is located by the doorway and pupils should only enter at the allocated times, unless they have a lunch pass for an activity.
	Two members of Sixth Form operate the biometric tills.
13.15 - 13.40 Indoor supervision of tutor bases, corridors, Lower Seniors cloakroom, and common rooms	During lunch time, pupils should not be in their tutor bases (unless it is a wet break). The member of staff should patrol the cloakrooms, tutor bases and common rooms. There are two Sixth Form prefects who will report into the member of staff on duty, and will support with the indoor
	supervision.
13.15 - 13.40 Supervision outdoors and the Upper Seniors cloakroom	Staff should patrol around by the Astro Pitches and around by the swimming pool, pupils should not congregate at the back of the building by the swimming pool and Lower Seniors Cloakroom door. There are two Sixth Form Prefects that will report to the duty member of staff and will be on hand to support and supervise outdoors.



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13.40 - 14.10	Member of staff on duty should ensure that there is no
Supervision of	eating in S5 and S6 and that computers are being used
Computer Rooms	appropriately.
15.40 - 16.00	Member of staff to be stood outside in the main car park,
Supervision (front of	ensuring that pupils leave the school site safely. Parents
school)	should only collect via the top car park and staff parked in
	the main car park should not leave the site between 1520 –



	1600.
15.40 - 16.00	Member of staff to be stood outside by the Hatherley Road
Supervision (back of	gate at the back of school, ensuring that pupils leave the
school)	school site safely.
15.40 - 16.00	Staff should support the Librarian during this busy period,
Library	ensure good order and discipline maintained in the library
	whilst pupils are waiting to be collected or for afterschool
	activities to begin.