



RADLEY

Pupil access to risky areas of school buildings and grounds

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INTRODUCTION

Radley College is committed to ensuring the safety and welfare of all pupils at the College. Due to the site being large and complex, there are areas within the buildings or the grounds that are considered to present risks to the health and safety of pupils who may accidentally or deliberately stray into them. To fulfil this responsibility, the Bursar, the Estates Bursar and the Health and Safety Manager have responsibility to manage the implementation of this policy.

AIM

The aim of The Pupil Access to risky Areas of School Buildings and Grounds policy is to state the College's procedures for controlling or denying unauthorised access by pupils to potentially dangerous or risky areas of the College buildings or grounds. This policy will provide evidence of Radley College's intention to demonstrate that measures are carried out, so far as is reasonably practicable to ensure suitable and sufficient compliance.

The College shall ensure that risky areas of school buildings and grounds will always be kept locked when not in use.

RISK ASSESSMENT

Areas of the College known to present risk to pupils are listed in the risk assessment *HSGEN011: Restricted Access and Confined Spaces*. [HSGEN011 Restricted Access and Confined Spaces Revised 0925](#). These locations include but are not limited to the Science, Physics & Biology laboratories, the Design and Technology Department, the Lake edges, the Theatre gantry, roof spaces, The Sports Centre swimming pool or water treatment room, the Boathouse, the Countryside Centre, plant, and plant rooms as well as building sites / areas under construction. All flammables and chemicals are kept securely in appropriate storage facilities.

PROCEDURE

The College makes every effort to ensure that all potentially dangerous or risky areas are, wherever possible, secured by fencing, locking, signage, or otherwise physically preventing access to them. Areas that are temporarily out of bounds are, where possible, fenced or cordoned off and/or appropriate warning notices are placed to advise of the dangers.

Pupils are informed or reminded regularly by staff of the dangers of entering risky areas of the College. They are made aware that to enter such an area deliberately is regarded as a serious disciplinary offence. CCTV protects the surrounds of the College.

Students may not operate any machinery, tools, or equipment until they have received briefing on the operational workings of the specific machine for educational requirements. No student may operate a machine or use chemicals/hazardous materials unless a competent adult who is suitably trained is in attendance, and they have been provided the appropriate Personal Protective Equipment.

Radley College will continue to promote and provide, so far as is reasonably practicable, safe systems of work and/or procedures and updates of systems including the regular checking of signage and any lifesaving equipment and to maintain all its premises to a condition as to prevent personal injury and property damage. The College will also continue to provide the provision and maintenance of safe working conditions for all persons on college premises.

This policy will be reviewed, amended, and updated as and when required.