Health and Safety Policy ver.14 2024-25 Change Summary

Updates:

- All references to the Local Governing Body (LGB) have now been replaced with Local CAST Board (LCB)
- All Reference to Torbay Economic Development Company (TDA) have been replaced with Torbay Council (TC)
- The document Outdoor Education, Visits and Off-site Activities Health and Safety Policy
 has been updated to 2024
- The acronym CDM has been expanded to Construction, Design, and Management Regulations 2015
- The acronym IOSH has been expanded to Institution of Occupational Safety and Health
- The acronym OSHENS has been expanded to Occupational Safety, Health & Environmental Systems
- The acronym RAA has been expanded to Risk Assessment Advice
- The acronym CLEAPSS has been expanded to Consortium of Local Education Authorities for the Provision of Science Equipment

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4.5 Consultation

Change:

All Teachers and Support Staff are represented at the Plymouth CAST Health and Safety Committee and associated Wellbeing Sub-Committee. The terms of reference for this committee are published on the Plymouth CAST website and a copy of the Committee Terms of Reference is available on request from admin@plymouthcast.org.uk The committees meet at least termly and they are attended by the Senior Executive Leadership Team, Trust Officers, Directors, Trade Union representatives, and school support staff and Headteachers.

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4.17 Medication

Change:

In circumstances when a student suffers headaches, menstrual pains, toothache etc., staff may be asked to administer a mild analgesic to relieve pain (e.g., paracetamol) to relieve pain. Non-prescribed medication will only be accepted if they are in-date and provided in the original manufacturer's container and administered in certain circumstances listed locally, in the event that parents/carers are unable to attend school to administer the non-prescribed medicine to their child.

Change:

No member of staff will administer any medication unless prior written parental consent has been completed by the parent/carer.

Change:

Each school will designate a person to be responsible for accepting medication and checking all relevant information has been provided by parents/carers prior to administering. All administration undertaken by school staff will be recorded and kept securely on site. Where required, suitable and sufficient training will be undertaken by staff to administer specific medications.

Change:

For full details relating to the administration of medication, reference should be made to the Supporting Pupils at School with Medical Conditions and Administration of Medication ver.2.0 – July 2024 and the HSA32 Medication Arrangements Note.

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4.18 Monitoring (AUDITING)

Change:

A general inspection of the site will be conducted termly. Inspections will be conducted jointly with the school's Health and Safety Representative(s) (if possible) using the appropriate monitoring forms.

The H&S Governor will complete a written report using the Premises Compliance Checklist and submit their findings to the Head Teacher and the Local CAST Board on an annual basis. This report will be uploaded by the Clerk to the LCB onto Governor Hub for audit and review purposes.

Each school will designate someone to be responsible for following up items detailed in all safety inspection reports.

Change

For full details relating to monitoring, reference should be made to the HSA05 Audit and Monitoring Arrangements Note. Governors may refer to the CAST Schedule of Accountability document which can be found in the Resources Library on Governor Hub.