



PUPIL SUPERVISION POLICY

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CITY OF LONDON SCHOOL FOR GIRLS

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1. INTRODUCTION

City of London School for Girls is fully committed to ensuring the safety and proper supervision of all pupils throughout the school day and at all other times when pupils are under the care of the school, both on and off the school site.

2. CONTACTING THE SCHOOL DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

The school's reception and switchboard is manned from 8.00am until 6.00pm in term time during the school day. The receptionists will answer phone calls, respond to emails, pass on messages to pupils and staff and deal with inquiries from visitors during this time. At other times, messages may be left on the school answer phone. The reception telephone number is 0207 847 5500.

3. PUPILS' ARRIVAL

The school opens at 8.00am. Pupils may not enter the school before this time unless they are participating in an activity organised and supervised by a member of staff. Pupils participating in activities must sign in with the duty member of the premises staff at reception and the organising member of staff must leave a list of the names of those participating at reception.

Sixth Formers and pupils who have a front door pass, for example because they have a medical condition, can enter via reception.

All other pupils must enter via the Prep Roof Gate from the Podium. This gate opens between 8.00 and 8.40am and is manned by a member of the premises staff who monitors entry and provides security.

Prep pupils make their way down onto the Prep corridor (with a Prep member of staff stationed on the stairs for supervision). From the corridor, pupils make their way onto High Grass where they are supervised by two staff members (one teacher, one TA) until 8.40am when they come in for registration. Additionally, there is a member of staff (usually the Head or Deputy Head of Prep) on the Prep corridor from 8.00am to greet

and supervise pupils as they make their way outside. Prep parents drop their daughters off at the blue gate and do not come into school via that entrance.

4. DURING THE SCHOOL DAY

4.1 REGISTRATION

All pupils in Years 7 – 13 are registered at 8.40am and 1.50pm, except on Mondays when afternoon registration is at 1.30pm. Prep are registered at 8.40am and 1.20pm, except Mondays when afternoon registration is 12.50pm.

Sixth Formers are allowed one regular “free morning” or “free afternoon” a week which means they can miss that one registration session each week.

Instructions for parents about informing the school of a child’s absence before morning registration are set out in the Parents’ Handbook and Prep Parents’ Handbook.

If a pupil is absent without explanation, their parents will be contacted to ascertain the reason for their absence. If the school is unable to contact the missing child’s parents, we will follow the Procedures set out in our Missing Child Policy.

If pupils are late arriving to school, they should sign in at reception before joining their classes. Year 3 pupils should wait in reception until they can be escorted to Prep by a member of the Prep staff.

4.2 IN CLASS AND MOVING AROUND THE BUILDING

Pupils wishing to leave a lesson for any reason must ask permission. If they need to see the School Nurse, in the case of younger pupils, the teacher may arrange for them to be escorted, either by another pupil or in the case of Prep pupils by a Classroom Assistant.

Pupils are allowed to leave during lessons to use the toilets, but they are encouraged to wait for the end of the lesson. In certain medical situations girls may be allowed to leave the classroom at will; staff are made aware of particular arrangements.

It is not normal practice for a pupil to be sent out of class for bad behaviour. Very rarely, it may be in a pupil’s best interest or in the interest of the rest of the class for a pupil to be sent out of a lesson because they are interrupting the learning of others or because they are upset.

When this occurs, the teacher will always send the pupil to wait in the Deputy Head's (Pastoral) office or outside the Headmistress's office, where there is always an adult presence and will take steps to inform the Deputy Head (Pastoral) as soon as possible that the pupil has been sent out of class.

Some girls in the Senior School with complex pastoral needs may be issued with a 'time out card'. This enables them to leave lessons without explanation. The girls must report to reception who will alert members of the pastoral team. One of these will come and assist the girl concerned. Reception keeps a log of girls using the time out system.

In the case of teacher absence, lessons in the Prep and in Years 7 – 10 are always covered by another teacher. Year 11 lessons are not usually covered for short term teacher absence unless they are timetabled in a laboratory or some room where pupils are only admitted under supervision. Instead, Year 11 classes are trusted to undertake work unsupervised.

Year 12 and 13 lessons are also not normally covered by another teacher for short term staff absence and most Sixth Formers have regular private study periods. Sixth Formers are expected to use their private study time profitably, working in the Sixth Form Centre or the library. Sixth Formers who have no lessons after lunch and whose work is of an appropriate standard may be granted a private study afternoon, for which they may sign out and leave school. Sixth Formers use of non-contact time is monitored by their tutors and the Head and Assistant Head of Sixth Form as part of the overall monitoring of their academic progress.

4.3 OUTSIDE LESSON TIME

All members of the teaching staff take their share of supervisory duties according to a rota.

At break and lunchtime members of staff are on duty in the Dining Room and patrolling the premises.

Prep pupils are supervised by the Classroom Assistants and there is one member of the Prep teaching staff on duty on each day.

4.4 MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

The School Nurse is on duty throughout the school day. If she cannot be found in the medical room, for example because she is attending to someone elsewhere in

the building, she can be contacted by radio via reception or the Deputy Head's (Pastoral) office.

First aid boxes and defibrillators are in all potentially high risk areas, as well as in the Medical Room.

A number of members of the teaching and support staff are First Aid trained and can also assist sick or injured pupils when necessary. Lists of First Aiders are posted on the medical room door and in the staffroom. The receptionists can also contact First Aiders if necessary.

5. PUPILS' DEPARTURE AT THE END OF THE SCHOOL DAY

Pupils in the Prep department leave school at 4pm (3.35pm on Mondays). They may stay beyond this time if they are attending an PE club or fixture, or if they are attending 'Evening Supervision' where girls are supervised by a member of Prep support staff until 6.00pm. This takes place in a Prep classroom and there is a charge for attending.

All Prep pupils are signed out as they leave Prep at the end of the day. Prep parents or carers come onto the Prep Roof via the Prep roof gate, but are not permitted to enter the school building.

For Years 7 – 13, the regulations for departure at the end of the school day are as follows:

Unless they are participating in a staff led after school activity, all students must leave the school premises by 4.15pm (by 3.50pm on Mondays), except in the circumstances set out below:

- Sixth Formers may work in the Sixth Form Centre or Library until 5.30pm, provided that they have notified the Sixth Form office and reception by email that they are doing so
- Girls in Years 7 – 11 who need to collaborate on project work or who have some other exceptional work-related need to study in school, may go to the library, sign in with the Assistant Librarian and work there until 5.15pm. Students wishing to work in the library after 4.00pm must have prior approval from their parents or Head of Year.
- Girls in Years 7 – 11 who are remaining in school because they are attending a play or concert here later in the evening may go to B9 or B11 to work in the interval between the end of lessons and the beginning of the performance

6. PUPILS WHO ARE NOT COLLECTED FOLLOWING AFTER SCHOOL ACTIVITIES

It is our expectation that girls in Years 7 and above will make their own way home following after school activities, unless a parental request to the contrary has been made.

If pupils are not collected as expected, we will attempt to contact the parents and if we cannot do this we will use our best judgement as to whether to keep the child in school or allow them to leave.

The school site closes at 6.30pm and activity staff will wait with girls if they are to be collected after this time if it is not deemed safe for them to go home alone.

7. SUPERVISION WHILST TRAVELLING TO AND FROM SCHOOL

Parents are responsible for ensuring that their children travel safely to and from school.

8. SUPERVISION DURING EDUCATIONAL VISITS

Details of supervision of pupils on educational visits are set out in the school's Educational Visits Policy. The ratio of supervising adults to participating pupils will always accord with DFE guidelines.

9. AREAS PUPILS MAY NOT ACCESS

Areas which pupils must not enter unsupervised and equipment they may not use except under adult supervision are set out in the Pupil Code of Conduct.

We ensure that pupils do not have unsupervised access to potentially dangerous areas, such as the Science Laboratories, the gym, the pool and the kitchens. Clear signs are displayed where pupils may not enter a room and where possible doors to these areas are kept locked when not in use. All flammables and chemicals are kept securely locked in appropriate storage facilities.

Pupils are expected to follow all reasonable instructions given to them by school staff.

10. SECURITY AND ACCESS CONTROL

All staff and Sixth Formers sign in and out when entering or leaving the premises. Visitors are required to sign in and students who leave the school site during the school day are required to sign in and out at reception; contractors will be accompanied if necessary. During the school day entry to the building is via reception only and automatic doors prevent anyone going beyond reception until their entry has been approved and recorded.

Regulations regarding security and lone working are set out in the school's Health and Safety Policy.

11. STAFF INDUCTION

All new members of school staff with relevant responsibilities receive induction into the school's expectations of the appropriate levels of pupil supervision. Guidance is given about what to do when on duty outside normal lesson times and on educational visits.

REFERENCES

- Educational Visits Policy
- Health and Safety Policy
- Pupil Code of Conduct
- Parents' Handbook
- Prep Parents' Handbook
- Staff Handbook
- First Aid Policy and School Nurse Guidelines
- Missing Child Policy

APPENDIX 1

PREP PROCEDURES ON LEAVING SCHOOL

Girls must be collected from the Prep Roof at 4pm (3.35pm on Monday) by a parent, designated adult, older sibling (Senior School) or travel buddy (Senior School). Girls who are travelling home on a parent organised coach will meet the coach driver on the Prep roof.

Parents should inform the Prep administrator of any changes to their daughter's end of day routine no later than 3.00pm via email (prepadmin@clsq.org.uk).

The Prep roof gate remains open for ten minutes. Should parents be running late, they should make their way to main reception. In the meantime, their daughter will be taken to Evening Supervision (on the Prep corridor).

Evening Supervision runs until 6.00pm and parents will be invoiced for any sessions attended. Parents should ensure they arrive no later than 6.00pm to collect their daughter. Parents who arrive after 6.00pm will be charged £10 per ten minutes that they are late.

Girls in Year 6 are allowed to travel home unaccompanied in their last term in Prep. Parents must email the head of Prep to confirm their daughter's independent travel arrangements and complete a form that includes their daughter's travel route and mobile telephone number.