

# **Rack House Primary School Premises Management Policy**

***A school of excellence which nurtures and inspires all, where success is our achievement.***

## **OVERVIEW**

The school premises will be kept well maintained and clean and in good condition so that they provide a safe, healthy, hygienic, secure and appropriate environment for the children and staff. The Governing Body will use the budget appropriately for maintenance and improvement in response to the school needs and with consideration to any advice given by the L.A., the Headteacher and other professionals.

## **OBJECTIVES**

1. To ensure that the school premises and grounds are fit for purpose.
2. To keep the premises and grounds well maintained and in good condition.
3. To develop the premises and grounds so that they are an excellent resource for learning.
4. To ensure that the premises and grounds are accessible to pupils, staff and other users with special needs or disabilities.
5. To keep the school safe and secure.
6. To keep the school clean and hygienic.
7. To ensure that the building and grounds meet health and safety requirements.
8. To make the school and its grounds a bright and welcoming environment for teaching and learning.
9. To conserve energy and to promote sustainable development

## **STRATEGIES**

1. The Headteacher and leadership team and Governing Body will monitor, evaluate and review the school premises as an important aspect of the Governing Body's strategy for the school.
2. The Governing Body will budget appropriately for maintenance and improvement.
3. Parents will be involved and consulted about the quality of the environment, premises and grounds and they will be involved in discussions about improvements.
4. Risk assessments will be carried out, where appropriate, to ensure that the school is a safe and healthy place for all who use it.
5. The site team will ensure that the standard of cleaning and maintenance is excellent to ensure that the premises and grounds are clean, hygienic and safe.
6. The Headteacher and Governors will monitor the in-house catering provision to ensure that food preparation meets all the statutory regulations.
7. Equipment will be maintained and inspected regularly to ensure that it works and is safe and fit for purpose.
8. Staff will undertake appropriate training in health and safety.
9. Evacuation and emergency procedures will be practiced to ensure that all can be taken to safety in an emergency.
10. Those entering the premises will undergo security and identity checks and then they will be required to wear visible identity.
11. The site staff will ensure that the building is kept secure at all times when it is not in use by the pupils.

## **OUTCOMES**

This school will be a welcoming, safe and attractive place for teaching, learning, play and social development. The premises and grounds will be well maintained and there will be a planned programme of review and development as resources and funding becomes available. It will promote an awareness of important environmental issues and where possible it will further the principles of conservation, recycling and sustainability.

**Reviewed and adopted by the Governing Body .....**