

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

"Live and learn as friends of Jesus"

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION SCHOOL POLICY

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School Mission Statement

Live and learn as friends of Jesus

Aims:

We aim to:-

Live together in our school family where everyone cares for each other.

Learn together in a happy, safe school where everyone tries their best and we celebrate each other's achievements.

As friends of Jesus say sorry, support and forgive each other. We help those in need and respect other people's beliefs and cultures.

Introduction

One of the aims of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (which is referred to as FOIA in the rest of this document) is that public authorities, including all maintained schools, should be clear and proactive about the information they will make public. To do this we must produce a publication scheme, setting out:

The classes of information which we publish or intend to publish,

The manner in which the information will be published; and

Whether the information is available free of charge or on payment.

The scheme covers information already published and information which is to be published in the future. All information in our publication scheme is available in paper form. Some information which we hold may not be made public, for example personal information.

2. Categories of information published

The publication scheme guides you to information which we currently publish (or have recently published) or which we will publish in the future. This is split into categories of information known as "classes". These are contained in section 5 of this scheme. The classes of information that we undertake to make available are organised into four broad topic areas:

School Prospectus - information published in the school prospectus.

Governors' Documents – Governing body terms of reference, minutes (other than confidential items) and other governing body documents.

Pupils and Curriculum - information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.

School Policies and other information related to the school - information about policies that relate to the school in general.

3. How to request information

If you require a paper version of any of the documents within the scheme, please contact the school by telephone, email, fax or letter. Contact details are set out below. Email:office@stpetersrc.bucks.sch.uk

Tel: 01628472116

Contact address: Prospect Road, Marlow, SL72PJ

To help us process your request quickly, please clearly mark any correspondence "PUBLICATION SCHEME REQUEST" (in CAPITALS please) If the information you're looking for isn't available via the scheme you can still contact the school to ask if we have it.

4. Paying for Information

Single copies of information covered by this publication are provided free unless stated otherwise in section 5. If your request means that we have to do a lot of photocopying or printing, or pay a large postage charge, or is for a priced item such as some printed publications or videos we will let you know the cost before fulfilling your request.

5. Classes of Information Currently Published

School Prospectus

The statutory contents of the school prospectus are as follows (other items may be included in the prospectus at the school's discretion) : the name, address and telephone number of the school, and the type of school.

The names of the head teacher and chair of governors.

Information on the school policy on admissions.

A statement of the school's ethos and values.

Details of any affiliations with a particular religion or religious denomination. The religious education provided.

Information about the school's policy on providing for pupils with special educational needs.

Number of pupils on roll and rates of pupils' authorised and unauthorised absences. National Curriculum assessment results for appropriate Key Stages, with national summary figures.

The arrangements for visits to the school by prospective parents.

Instrument of Governance

The name of the school.

The category of the school.

The names of the members of the governing body.

The manner in which the governing body is constituted.

The term of office of each category of governor if less than 4 years.

The name of any body entitled to appoint any category of governor.

Details of any trust.

If the school has a religious character, a description of the ethos.

Minutes of meeting of the governing body and its committees

Agreed minutes of meetings of the governing body and its committees (current and last full academic school year) unless there is a requirement that these are confidential.

Pupils & Curriculum Policies

This section gives access to information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.

Curriculum: Art & Design; Design and Technology English; Geography; History; ICT; Mathematics; Modern Foreign Languages; Music; Physical Education; PSHE and Citizenship; Religious Education; Science

Pupils: Admissions; Anti-Bullying; Attendance; Behaviour and Exclusions; Child Protection; Inclusion; Equalities;

School Policies and other information related to the school - This section gives access to information about policies that relate to the school in general.

Published reports of Ofsted referring expressly to the school Published report of the last inspection of the school and the summary of the report.

<u>Charging and Remissions Policies</u> A statement of the school's policy with respect to charges and remissions for any optional extra or board and lodging for which charges are permitted, for example school publications, music tuition, or trips.

<u>School session times and term dates</u> Details of school session and dates of school terms and holidays. Health and Safety Policy and risk assessment. Statement of general policy with respect to health and safety at work of employees (and others) and the organisation and arrangements for carrying out the policy.

<u>Complaints procedure</u> Statement of procedures for dealing with complaints.

<u>Performance Management of Staff Statement</u> of procedures adopted by the governing body relating to the performance management of staff and the annual report of the head teacher on the effectiveness of appraisal procedures.

<u>Staff Conduct, Discipline and Grievance Statement</u> of procedure for regulating conduct and discipline of school staff and procedures by which staff may seek redress for grievance.

<u>Curriculum circulars and statutory instruments</u> Any statutory departmental circulars and administrative memoranda sent by the DfE to the head teacher or governing body relating to the curriculum.

6. Feedback and Complaints We welcome any comments or suggestions you may have about the scheme.

If you want to make any comments about this publication scheme or if you require further assistance or wish to make a complaint then initially this should be addressed to the Headteacher. If you are not satisfied with the assistance that you get or if we have not been able to resolve your complaint and you feel that a formal complaint needs to be made then this should be addressed to the Information Commissioner's Office. This is the organisation that ensures compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and that deals with formal complaints, which can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5AF.

Or Enquiry/Information Line: 01625 545 700 E Mail:publications@ic-foi.demon.co.uk Website: www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk