

CCTV Policy

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	School Policy

Mission Statement

We are committed to providing a supportive, enjoyable and family style environment in which every child is nurtured and encouraged to achieve their potential through a broad-based curriculum and opportunities for developing sporting, dramatic, artistic and musical talents.

Statement of Aims & Objectives

- To enable each child to fulfil their own academic and personal potential.
- To instil in every child the importance of developing personal initiative and to foster in them a belief that they can fulfil their potential in any area of school life.
- To provide a broad based academic and extra-curricular education that is delivered in such a way as to satisfy the learning needs of each and every pupil.
- To help each pupil to develop both a set of Christian values and an understanding and appreciation of other religious beliefs.
- To learn the difference between right and wrong and to appreciate that rights and responsibilities are equally balanced.
- To develop and promote a sense of caring and community between the pupils within the school and the wider community as a whole.
- To instil in each pupil a high degree of self-respect and respect for their fellow pupils, teachers and other adults.
- To prepare each child for the transition to the next stage of their education and to be able to take advantage of any opportunities as they present themselves.



Safeguarding

Oakhyrst Grange School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. At this school we respect and value all children and are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for our pupils so that they can learn in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. We believe that every pupil should be able to participate in all school activities in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from harm. This is the responsibility of every adult employed by, or invited to deliver services at Oakhyrst Grange School. We recognise our responsibility to safeguard all who access school and promote the welfare of all of our pupils by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional abuse, neglect and bullying. This should be read in conjunction with the Safeguarding Policy.

All staff will be asked to complete training annually following KCSIE updates. Further safeguard training will take place throughout the year. All staff must wear their lanyards at all times.

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The purpose of this policy is to regulate the management and operation of the Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) System at Oakhyrst Grange School (the School). It also serves as a notice and a guide to data subjects (including pupils, parents, staff, volunteers, visitors to the School and members of the public) regarding their rights in relation to personal data recorded via the CCTV system (the System).

The System is administered and managed by the School, who act as the Data Controller. This policy will be subject to review from time to time, and should be read with reference to the School's Data Protection Policy. For further guidance, please review the Information Commissioner's CCTV Code of Practice https://ico.org.uk/media/1542/cctv-code-of-practice.pdf

All fixed cameras are in plain sight on the School premises and the School does not routinely use CCTV for covert monitoring or monitoring of private property outside the School grounds. The cameras are listed here:

Internal Cameras:

	Location	Viewpoint
1	Main entrance	Main entrance foyer
2	Pool entrance	Pool entrance area
3	Pool far end	Swimming pool area
4	Cameron Hall foyer	Cameron Hall entrance
5	Premise Manager room	Side entrance

External Cameras:

	Location	Viewpoint
6	Front of Main building	Main entrance area
7	BWA side wall	Pool entrance area
8	BWA side wall (KG)	Playground Pool Gate
9	About PR playground	Obscure but will be moved
10	Main building front	Car park in front of the Main building
11	Main building R side	Car park round the side of the Main building
12	Main building L side	Reception Playground
13	Main building back	Tennis Court
14	MUGA front	Read MUGA
15	MUGA rear	Front MUGA

The School's purposes of using the CCTV system are set out below and, having fully considered the privacy rights of individuals, the School believes these purposes are all in its legitimate interests. Data captured for the purposes below will not be used for any commercial purpose.

1. Objectives of the System

- 1.1 To protect pupils, staff, volunteers, visitors and members of the public with regard to their personal safety.
- 1.2 To protect the School buildings and equipment, and the personal property of pupils, staff, volunteers, visitors and members of the public.
- 1.3 To support the police and community in preventing and detecting crime, and assist in the identification and apprehension of offenders.
- 1.4 To monitor the security and integrity of the School site and deliveries and arrivals.

2. Positioning

- 2.1 Locations have been selected, both inside and out, that the School reasonably believes require monitoring to address the stated objectives.
- 2.2 Adequate signage has been placed in prominent positions to inform staff and pupils that they are entering a monitored area, identifying the School as the Data Controller and giving contact details for further information regarding the system.
- 2.3 No images will be captured from areas in which individuals would have a heightened expectation of privacy, including changing and washroom facilities.
- 2.4 No images of public spaces will be captured except to a limited extent at site entrances.

3. Maintenance

- 3.1 The CCTV System will be operational 24 hours a day, every day of the year.
- 3.2 The System Manager (defined below) will check and confirm that the System is properly recording and that cameras are functioning correctly, on a regular basis.
- 3.3 The System will be checked and (to the extent necessary) serviced no less than annually.

4. Supervision of the System

4.1 Staff authorised by the School to conduct routine supervision of the System may include the Headmaster, the Premises Manager, the Bursar. Images will be viewed and/or monitored in a suitably secure and private area to minimise the likelihood of or opportunity for access to unauthorised persons. The Premises Manager will check the system weekly, usually on a Friday.

5. Storage of Data

- 5.1 The day-to-day management of images will be the responsibility of the Premises Manager who will act as the System Manager, or such suitable person as the System Manager shall appoint in his or her absence.
- 5.2 Images will be stored for up to 3 months and automatically over-written unless the School considers it reasonably necessary for the pursuit of the objectives outlined above, or if lawfully required by an appropriate third party such as the police or local authority.
- 5.3 Where such data is retained, it will be retained in accordance with the Act and our Data Protection Policy. Information including the date, time and length of the recording, as well as the locations covered and groups or individuals recorded, will be recorded in the system log book.

6. Access to Images

- 6.1 Access to stored CCTV images will only be given to authorised persons, under the supervision of the System Manager, in pursuance of the above objectives (or if there is some other overriding and lawful reason to grant such access).
- 6.2 Individuals also have the right to access personal data the School holds on them (please see the Data Protection Policy), including information held on the System, if it has been kept. The School will require specific details including at least to time, date and camera location before it can properly respond to any such requests. This right is subject to certain exemptions from access, including in some circumstances where others are identifiable.



- 6.3 The System Manager must satisfy themselves of the identity of any person wishing to view stored images or access the system and the legitimacy of the request. The following are examples when the System Manager may authorise access to CCTV images:
 - 6.3.1 Where required to do so by the Head, the Police or some relevant statutory authority;
 - 6.3.2 To make a report regarding suspected criminal behaviour;
 - 6.3.3 To enable the Designated Safeguarding Lead or his/her appointed deputy to examine behaviour which may give rise to any reasonable safeguarding concern;
 - 6.3.4 To data subjects (or their legal representatives) pursuant to an access request under the Act and on the basis set out in 6.2 above;
 - 6.3.5 To the School's insurance company where required in order to pursue a claim for damage done to insured property; or
 - 6.3.6 In any other circumstances required under law or regulation.
- 6.4 Where images are disclosed under 6.3 above a record will be made in the system log book including the person viewing the images, the time of access, the reason for viewing the images, the details of images viewed and a crime incident number (if applicable).
- 6.5 [Where images are provided to third parties under 6.3 above, wherever practicable steps will be taken to obscure images of non-relevant individuals.

7. Complaints and queries

7.1 Any complaints or queries in relation to the School's CCTV system, or its use of CCTV, or requests for copies, should be referred to the Headmaster.

This Policy is subject to regular review.



CCTV FOOTAGE ACCESS REQUEST

The following information is required before the school can provide copies of or access to CCTV footage from which a person believes they may be identified.

Please note that CCTV footage may contain the information of others that needs to be protected, and that the school typically deletes CCTV recordings after 3 weeks period.

Name and address:	
(proof of ID may be required)	
Description of footage (including a description	
of yourself, clothing, activity etc.)	
Location of camera	
Date of footage sought	
Approximate time (give a range if necessary)	
Signature*	
Print Name Da	te

* NB if requesting CCTV footage of a child under 13, a person with parental responsibility should sign this form. For children 13 or over, the child's authority or consent must be obtained except in circumstances where that would clearly be inappropriate and the lawful reasons to provide to the parent(s) outweigh the privacy considerations of the child.