

Jump Primary School



Dogs on Site Policy

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Signed.....*A. Wainwright*..... Chair of Governors



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Introduction

Jump Primary School is committed to ensuring that all members of the school community are treated equally and are safe when visiting the school and on school premises.

Aims

The aims of our policy are:

- To ensure the safety of all those who enter the premises of Jump Primary School.

We will know this aim has been successful when dogs are not brought onto the school property by parents or visitors.

The main legislation covering this area is the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974 and regulations made under that Act. 1 The employer (the local authority, governing body or proprietor) is responsible for health and safety, though tasks may be delegated to staff. Employees also have a duty to look after their own and others' health and safety.

Purpose

At Jump Primary School we comply with all regulations in regard to Child Protection and safeguarding duties. We comply with all regulations as set down by the LA, DfE and Health and Safety Codes of Practice (inc Health and Safety at Work Act 1974).

The Governing Body of Jump Primary School agreed the following statement when creating this policy:

Jump Primary School is a No Dogs School.

No dogs (other than Guide dogs or Assistance dogs) are allowed at any time within the buildings or on the school site. Parents, pupils, visitors and staff must not bring dogs onto the school site at any time. We are aware that under the Equality Act 2010, schools have a duty to make 'reasonable adjustments' to ensure that disabled people are not discriminated against and therefore assistance dogs must be allowed. We will make reasonable adjustments for guide dogs and assistance dog owners as we are aware that people who use a dog to help manage their disability cannot be refused entry or service on this basis.

Role of Adults within School

All adults within school will be vigilant to dogs on the school premises and will contact the Headteacher.

Sharing the Policy

All members of staff will have access to the policy via the school's Shared drive and file in the staffroom. The policy will be available to parents and members of the wider community via the school's website. Paper copies of the policy will be available on request from the school office.

Monitoring the Implementation & Impact of the Policy

Mrs Katy Falconer will have responsibility for implementing the policy in conjunction with the School Governing Body.

The policy will be reviewed as and when necessary.