



FREEDOM OF INFORMATION POLICY

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Freedom of Information Policy

This is the School Publication Scheme on information available under the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The governing body is responsible for maintenance of this scheme.

1. Introduction: what a publication scheme is and why it has been developed

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
- 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 for you on our website to download and print off.

Some information which we hold may not be made public, for example personal information.

This publication scheme conforms to the model scheme for schools approved by the Information Commissioner

2. Aims and objectives

At Wimborne First School we aim to:

- Recognise and develop the full potential of every child, providing equal opportunities for all
- Provide a safe, healthy, happy and nurturing environment to enable every child to know and achieve success
- Promote understanding of rights and responsibilities to enable children to grow into independent and responsible citizens
- Inspire a love of learning that lasts for life
- Enhance learning through community partnership

This publication scheme is a means of showing how we are pursuing these aims

3. 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 6 of this scheme.

The classes of information that we undertake to make available are organised into four broad topic areas:

- a) School Prospectus - information published in the school prospectus *
- b) Governors' Documents - information published in Governing Body documents
- c) Pupils & Curriculum - information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum *
- d) School Policies and other information related to the school - information about policies that relate to the school in general *

*Note – Information on topic areas marked by * are available on the school website*

4. 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 or you can visit our website at www.wimbornefirst.dorset.sch.uk

Email: office@wimbornefirst.dorset.sch.uk

Tel: 01202 882532

Address: Wimborne First School, School Lane, Wimborne, Dorset, BH21 3HH

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, and isn’t on our website, you can still contact the school to ask if we have it.

5. Paying for information

Information published on our website is free, although you may incur costs from your internet service provider. If you don't have the internet, you can access our website using a local library or an Internet café.

Single copies of information covered by this publication are provided free unless stated otherwise in section 6. 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.

6. Classes of information currently published

School Prospectus

The prospectus is reviewed by the Headteacher during the Spring Term and republished in both printed and on line format for the school website.

Class	Description Cost - £5
School Prospectus	<p>From September 2005 the obligatory content of the school prospectus is:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• arrangements for the admission of pupils with disabilities• details of steps to prevent disabled pupils being treated less favourably than other pupils• details of existing facilities to assist access to the school by pupils with disabilities• the accessibility plan (required under the Disability Discrimination Act 1995) covering future policies for increasing access to the school by pupils with disabilities• information about the implementation of the governing body's policy on pupils with special educational needs and any changes to the policy during the last year <p><i>The school has the option to include additional information.</i></p>

Governors Documents

This section gives access to information published in Governing Body Documents.

Class	Description Cost - £1
The School Profile	<p>The profile is comprised of 'narrative' sections which the school will complete, and 'prepopulated' sections of statistical information inserted into the document by the DfES.</p> <p>The subject headings for the narrative sections, which the school completes, are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What have been our successes this year? • What are we trying to improve? • How have our results changed over time? • How are we making sure that every child gets teaching to meet their individual needs? • How do we make sure our pupils are healthy, safe and well-supported? • What have we done in response to Ofsted? • How are we working with parents and the community?
Instrument Of Government	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The name of the school • The category of the school • The name 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 • The date the instrument takes effect
Minutes 1 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)

1 Some information might be confidential or otherwise exempt from publication by law – we cannot therefore publish this

Pupils and curriculum policies

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

Class	Description - £1
Home – school agreement	Home-school agreement. Statement of the school's aims and values, the school's responsibilities, the parental responsibilities and the school's expectations of its pupils for example homework arrangements
Curriculum Policy	Statement on following the policy for the secular curriculum subjects and religious education and schemes of work and syllabuses currently used by the school
Sex Education Policy	Statement of policy with regard to sex and relationship education

Class	Description - £1
Special Education Needs	Information about the school's policy on providing for pupils with special educational needs
Accessibility Plans	Plan for increasing participation of disabled pupils in the school's curriculum, improving the accessibility of the physical environment and improving delivery of information to disabled pupils
Race Equality Policy	Statement of policy for promoting race equality
Collective Worship	Statement of arrangements for the required daily act of collective worship
Child Protection Policy	Statement of policy for safeguarding and promoting welfare of pupils at the school
Pupil Behaviour and Anti Bullying Policy	Statement of general principles on behaviour and discipline and of measures taken by the Headteacher to prevent bullying.

School policies and other information related to the school

This section gives access to information about policies that relate to the school in general.

Class	Description - £1
Published reports of Ofsted referring expressly to the school	Published report of the last inspection of the school and the summary of the report and where appropriate inspection reports of religious education in those schools designated as having a religious character
Post-Ofsted Inspection action plan	A plan setting out the actions required following the last Ofsted inspection and where appropriate an action plan following inspection of religious education where the school is designated as having a religious character
Charging and Remissions Policies	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, trips
School session times and term dates	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
Complaints Procedure	Statement of procedures for dealing with complaints
Performance Management of Staff	Statement 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

