KING WILLIAM'S COLLEGE

# King William's College & The Buchan School

# Pupil Access to risk areas of school buildings and grounds

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The aim of this Policy is to state the School's procedures for controlling or denying unauthorised access by pupils to potentially dangerous or risky areas of School buildings and grounds. Through clear signage and communication to our pupils in form assemblies, we proactively ensure a wide knowledge of restricted and risky areas is established supported by supervision for our younger pupils.

**Introduction**

1. The Governing Body, Principal and staff of King William's College, The Buchan School and The Buchan Nursery (the 'School') are fully committed to ensuring the safety and welfare of all pupils at the School. There are areas within the buildings or the grounds that are considered to present risks to the safety of pupils who may accidentally or deliberately stray into them.

2. The School makes every effort to ensure that all potentially dangerous areas are, wherever possible, made secure by fencing, locking or otherwise physically preventing access to them. Porters walk the site on a daily basis and report any issues to the Estates Supervisor. The Deputy Head Pastoral regularly walks the site and brings major issues to SLT. One of these is site security (covered in Access to School Premises) and safety of pupils.

Areas temporarily out of bounds are fenced or cordoned off and appropriate warning notices are placed to describe the danger. Students understand the need to remain away from these areas.

3. Some of the School grounds away from the central buildings are unlit and hence unauthorised access to these areas is prohibited during the hours of darkness.

4. In addition, students are informed or reminded regularly by Boarding House (in the case of boarders) and teaching staff/SLT (in the case of whole school) of the dangers of entering risky areas of the School and the need to observe such restrictions. Access away from the boarding houses is understood by all boarders through a combination of induction and periodic reminders (where appropriate and relevant). Students are made aware that to enter such an area deliberately is regarded as a very serious disciplinary offence that will be dealt with in an appropriate manner.

5. Areas of the School known to present risks to students are listed below along with the control measures currently in place.

| Building or Area | Control Measures |
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| Airport | Fencing maintained by Airport |
| Design Technology Building | Kept locked unless accompanied by an adult |
| Science Labs | Kept locked unless accompanied by an adult |
| Kitchens | Kept locked and no student access |
| Maintenance Buildings | Kept locked and no student access |
| Armoury | Kept locked unless accompanied by an authorised adult |
| CCF Shooting Range | Kept locked unless accompanied by a qualified adult |
| Swimming pool | Kept locked unless accompanied by an adult |
| Woods at Buchan School | Buchan Students are always accompanied and supervised |
| All classrooms at Buchan School | Buchan Students are always accompanied and supervised |
| Building areas | Students informed through school and form assemblies and restricted areas under constructions are visibly identified. |
| School site in high winds | School risk assessments are utilised in deciding which areas of the school are safe in the case of extreme weather. Where necessary to impose temporary restrictions, an all School communication is actioned by the Estates Manager. |