

Health and Safety Policy

(The policy applies to all pupils including EYFS)

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Owner Governors (Head Master and Principal of the Foundation and Clerk to the Governors)

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The policy covers Mount Kelly Foundation and its trading subsidiaries being but not limited to Mount Kelly Enterprises Limited, Mount Kelly Overseas Limited and Mount Kelly Swimming Limited. Unless specifically stated, these are referred to as 'the Foundation' throughout this document.

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Definitions

For the purposes of this document:

- The Mount Kelly Foundation is referred to as the Foundation or the School
- The Foundation includes Mount Kelly College, Mount Kelly Prep, Mount Kelly Enterprises Limited, Mount Kelly Swimming Limited
- Pupils refers to all pupils, including EYFS, being educated or on site at the School.

This policy covers:

- **Part 1:** Statement of Intent the Foundation's commitment to managing Health and Safety.
- **Part 2:** Organisation Roles and Responsibilities how roles and responsibilities are delegated and outlines the specific health and safety measures taken to manage health, safety and wellbeing risks.
- Part 3: Health & Safety Arrangements identifies the specific health and safety policies adopted by the Foundation.

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Part 1: Statement of Intent

1.1 General Statement of Health and Safety Policy

The Governors of Mount Kelly are committed to achieving high standards of health and safety throughout the Foundation. This commitment will be afforded to all employees and those not in employment who may be affected by the work activities of the Foundation such as pupils, visitors (including parents), volunteers, contractors and the general public. The Foundation is committed to ensuring that all reasonable measures are in place to maintain and enhance staff wellbeing so that staff can lead productive and healthy working lives.

The Foundation recognises and accepts its responsibility as an employer under the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, its related statutory provisions as well as other common law duties. This policy sets out clearly the responsibilities for the active management of Health and Safety within the Foundation. Governors have delegated the day-to-day responsibility for the overseeing of Health and Safety to the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation.

This policy will be brought to the attention of all employees through the induction process for new staff and during an annual briefing at the start of each academic year.

Details of the organisation and arrangements for carrying out the policy are to be found in Parts 2 and 3 of this document.

This policy will be reviewed annually and published on the Foundation website.

1.2 Health and Safety Charter

As an organisation, the Foundation will:

- Implement and monitor a management system for Health and Safety across the business
- Maintain a Foundation Risk Register to ensure appropriate monitoring and control of risks
- Maintain a Risk Assessment programme to identify, assess and manage risks associated with employees, pupils, processes, property and site-specific environments
- Investigate all potential health and safety issues in order to protect and prevent anybody from becoming injured or unwell
- Comply with all applicable and appropriate health and safety legislation as well as relevant regulations and standards
- Encourage employees and pupils to share the responsibility of health and safety at work and provide them with such information, training and resources needed to maintain a healthy and safe working environment
- Actively inform and discuss health and safety issues with all members of the Foundation community
- Provide, within reason, sufficient resources and funds to ensure that this policy can be affectively incorporated into the Foundation's activities
- In the event of a global pandemic instigate, under the direction of the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation, health and safety procedures as required, ensuring appropriate monitoring and control of risks through the Foundation Risk Register.

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1.3 Approval

Name	Position	Signature	Date
lan MacQueen	Chair of Governors	Talaca.	12.09.25
Rob Ormsby	Governor responsible for Health and Safety	R.D.D.	12.09.25
Guy Ayling	Head Master and Principal of the Foundation	4	12.09.25

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Part 2: Organisation Roles and Responsibilities

2.1 General

This part of the Foundation Health and Safety Policy establishes and allocates the duties and responsibilities to staff throughout the Foundation including the planning, implementation, operational monitoring and management review of the Policy.

The Foundation recognises it is not possible to identify all health and safety control measures in one policy document. The local details for the management of health and safety are recorded in risk assessments.

This document also covers the development of general policy and how employees (and others) are to be trained to carry out our activities. An organogram has been prepared to assist in the understanding of the Health and Safety structure within the Foundation, which is shown overleaf.

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GOVERNING BODY

Overall responsibility for health and safety at main Board level

HEALTH, SAFETY AND RISK MANAGEMENT COMMITEE

Named governors with responsibility for oversight of health and safety

Chaired by governor with Health and Safety remit

THE HEAD MASTER AND PRINCIPAL OF THE FOUNDATION

Responsibility for the day to day operations and organisation of health and safety

PREMISES MANAGER (Responsible Safety Person)

Responsibility for the management of safety and security of the site
Regulatory Compliance
School Safety Co-ordinator

INDEPENDENT SAFETY ADVISORS

Independent Safety Advisors as required by the Foundation

	H&S ADMINISTRATORS					
Catering Provider	Commercial Manager	Grounds Manager	Head of Prep	Head of Department/ Faculty/ Houseparent	Housekeeping Manager	HR Manager
ICT	Maintenance	Pool	School	Senior	Sports/Activities	Transport
Manager	Supervisors	Manager	Nurse	Deputy Head	Lead	Administrator

Whole Foundation Community

Staff, Contractors,

Governors, Pupils, Visitors, Volunteers

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2.2 Duties of the Board of Governors ("The Board")

As the Employer, the duties of the Board include the duty to produce and regularly review the Health and Safety Policy for the Foundation. This policy will reflect the requirements of the Health and Safety at Work etc. Act 1974 by outlining arrangements to ensure, as far as is reasonably practical, the health and safety of staff, pupils and others affected by the organisation.

Governors have delegated the day-to-day responsibility for the overseeing of Health and Safety to the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation.

In addition, these strategic duties include the requirement:

- To take reasonable steps to ensure that the organisation is following the Foundation's policies and procedures and promote a sensible approach to health and safety
- To make adequate resources available so far as is reasonably practical, to enable obligations in respect of health and safety to be met
- To identify a lead Trustee for health and safety who will actively monitor and promote health and safety across the Foundation by raising matters with the Health, Safety and Risk Management Committee or senior leaders as necessary
- To ensure, that where appropriate, advice will be sought from a Competent Person/External Advisor to advise the Foundation on matters of health, safety and security.
- To ensure that health and safety is considered in all aspects of decision making
- To ensure responsibility is delegated to suitable employees in order to assist the Board in carrying out its duties.

2.3 Duties of the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation

The Head Master and Principal of the Foundation holds overall executive responsibility to give effect to health and safety management arrangements and will assist the Board in directing the overall management, development and implementation of the Policy and defining the aims of the Policy.

They are responsible for the overall health and safety on a daily basis. Areas of responsibility are defined below and will ensure that:

- Health and safety is considered in all the decision making of the Foundation
- Adequate resourcing of all aspects of health and safety management is in place
- Appropriate health and safety training is provided to all staff
- The Foundation is following the employer's health and safety policy
- Effective communication with governors and the Foundation's workforce is maintained, and clear advice is given to pupils and visitors regarding any significant risks on site
- Recognised Trade Union safety representatives/employee representatives and safety committees are consulted with as appropriate
- Staff understand their responsibilities and know how to access support and advice to enable them to manage risks responsibly
- Suitably qualified staff and experienced safety consultants are appointed to provide advise on safety matters
- Members of the Senior Leadership Team, and non-teaching staff managers are aware of their responsibilities under health and safety legislation

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- The financial infrastructure, systems and resources are available to facilitate the health and safety objectives of the Foundation
- Procedures and monitoring for purchasing and contracting of goods and services are in place to ensure risks are effectively managed
- Staff and visitors are aware of the onsite procedures and precautions to follow
- Robust accident and incident reporting systems are in place
- They will act as the line manager for the Responsible Safety Person.

2.4 Premises Manager (Responsible Safety Person)

The Premises Manager is to report to the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation and take on day to day responsibility for the implementation of safety procedures and for ensuring the Foundation complies with appropriate health and safety legislation so far as is reasonably practicable.

The Premises Manager is to conduct risk assessments and safety audits to fulfil the requirements of the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 and any subsequent legislation. The Premises Manager must be consulted on all matters likely to affect the safety of pupils, staff, visitors or contractors to the premises.

The Premises Manager's duties also include, but are not limited to:

- Keeping the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation and Governors informed through the HSRM Committee of relevant Health and Safety legislation changes and ensuring relevant actions are taken as appropriate
- Monitoring and enforcing the regulations for the prevention and control of fire hazards including the testing of fire extinguishers and fire alarms
- Providing advice and assistance to those responsible for Emergency Evacuation Procedures and fire drills
- Monitoring and analysing fire drill reports, outlining any shortcomings to the Head Master and Principal of the Foundation as well as the Commercial Manager, Head of Prep, Senior Deputy Head, Head of Prep and/or relevant Faculty Head/Houseparent as appropriate
- Ensuring that building compliance is in place with respect to electricity, fire, legionella, structure, gas, pupil security and welfare
- Maintaining adequate accident reports and reporting notifiable accidents to the Health & Safety Executive
- Ensuring relevant staff are provided with Personal Protective Equipment and that this is maintained
- Preparing summary reports for the Health, Safety and Risk Management Committee
- Managing site traffic movements and ensuring a suitable risk assessment is in place
- Ensuring health and safety training at the appropriate level for all staff and to monitor the training matrix for the Foundation
- Assisting staff in the preparation of risk assessments

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- Ensuring that the School has sufficient members of staff who are first aid trained
- Managing contractors on site
- Ensuring compliance with the Construction (Design and Management) Regulations; in particular
 ensuring that individuals know their specific duties as defined by the regulations. The Premises
 Manager is to clearly define "the Client", "the Principal Contractor" and the "Principal Designer"
 on each occasion before any work is sub contracted out. The Premises Manager is responsible
 for producing a file for each project as required by the regulations.

2.5 Safety Advisors

From time to time it may be appropriate to consult with an independent Safety Advisor who will be appointed by the Premises Manager or Head Master and Principal of the Foundation and will:

- Provide expert and timely advice to the Foundation on all safety matters
- Provide advice for safe operating procedures as appropriate and
- Review and advise on Health and Safety policies.

2.6 First Aiders

The Foundation will be responsible for ensuring nominated staff are suitably trained in First Aid. First Aiders will be responsible for:

- Ensuring their training and skills are kept up to date
- Treating injuries and ill health arising in the workplace to the best of their ability
- Recording all treatment given and report usage of first aid kits to the School Nurse
- Reporting and investigating all accidents and incidents.

2.7 Administrators

Health and Safety Administrators are referenced in Part 2 Organisation Roles and Responsibilities. Administrators are generally Team Managers or Head of Faculties. Administrators will be responsible for:

- Adopting and understanding all health and safety policies and procedures
- Ensuring all training records are up to date for their teams/department
- Sharing safety information with managers, staff, pupils and visitors as appropriate
- Carrying out induction training for employees and contractors
- Recording and responding to all health and safety reports
- Reporting the absence from work of a member of their team or department following an
 accident. The report is to be made to the HR Manager and Premises Manager in the first
 instance. Relevant information regarding the accident should also be provided
- Maintaining the quality and application of the accident reporting procedure
- Ensuring First Aid cover is in excess of the statutory minimum for all applicable activities and events
- Formally recording Tool Box Talks, subjects, contents and personnel in attendance
- Monitoring the risk assessment database for their department or faculty

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2.8 Employees ("Staff")

The co-operation of all staff is essential to the success of the Policy. All staff are expected to notify their Head of Department/Premises Manager of any hazards to health and safety that they are aware of. Staff are required to:

- Take reasonable care for the health and safety of pupils, themselves and others who may be affected
- Follow requirements imposed on the Foundation or any other person under Health and Safety law and co-operate fully so as to enable the duties upon them to be performed
- Comply with any reasonable request made by any of the persons named in this Policy in relation to the fulfilment of their duties, participate in all health and safety training provided and apply it in the working environment
- Take note of health and safety information provided and apply it in the working environment
- Make use of all equipment provided in the interests of health and safety
- Assist with risk assessments as required
- Report all accidents and incidents involving themselves
- Take reasonable care for their own health and safety and that of other who may be affected by what they do, or fail to do
- Cooperate with Senior Management, other staff members, contractors and others to enable them to maintain a safe workplace
- Raise health and safety concerns in line with their working arrangements.

2.9 Contractors

The Foundation utilises contractors, consultants and other workers to undertake various tasks including, but not limited to, plumbing and electrical work. All contractors, consultants and other workers are under the supervision of the Premises Manager or an appropriate Health and Safety Administrator who is required to ensure that:

- This Health and Safety Policy is strictly followed whilst working at the Foundation
- Where appropriate, a copy of their company Health & Safety Policy is shared with the Premises Manager so that jointly safe systems of work can be agreed and established
- They act in the best interests of safety, both their own and that of others
- They participate in all health and safety training provided and apply it in the working environment
- They take note of health and safety information provided and apply it in the working environment
- They make use of all equipment provided in the interests of health and safety
- Appropriate responsibilities, as laid down by the CDM regulations, are clearly defined
- They provide risk assessments as required
- They report all accidents and incidents involving them.

2.10 Radiation Protection Supervisor

The Radiation Protection Supervisor (RPS) has the day-to-day responsibility for the security, safe storage, use and monitoring of radioactive sources in the school, and for ensuring that staff understand the Standard Operating Procedures and model risk assessments.

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Full details of the RPS responsibilities are set out in the Radon Policy.

The RPS will need to:

- Be directly involved with work using ionising radiations, including practical teaching
- Be able to exercise the authority to ensure that all work with radioactive sources follows the school's Standard Operating Procedures and specific risk assessments
- Be aware of the hazards, risk assessments and control measures for each radioactive source kept by the school or college
- Be able to supervise, though you need not be present all the time
- Make sure that all teachers and technicians (especially new ones) who need to handle or use sources have had the training they need and
- Know what to do in an emergency. The Head of Science has the main responsibility for monitoring that teaching is effective and safe, not the RPS. If you become aware of unsafe practice in teaching practical radioactivity, or staff not complying with the Standard Operating Procedures, you should inform the Head of Science.

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Part 3: Health and Safety Arrangements

This section details the specific arrangements adopted by the Foundation and the associated procedures.

Policy Reference	Policy Title
HS001	Asbestos Policy and Procedure
HS001A	Asbestos Management Plan
HS002	Bad Weather Policy
HS003	Contractors Policy
HS004	Contractors Leaflet
HS005	Contractors Risk Assessment Policy
HS006	COSHH Policy and Procedure
HS007	Display Screen Equipment Procedure
HS008	Dogs in the Workplace Policy
HS009	Electricity (Safety at Work) Policy
HS010	Fire Prevention Policy and Procedure
HS011	First Aid Policy (and EYFS)
HS012	Glazing Policy
HS013	Permit to Work Policy and Procedure
HS014	Legionella Written Control Scheme
HS015	Lone Working Policy and Procedure
HS016	Managing Stress Policy
HS017	Manual Handling Policy
HS018	Off-Site Risk Assessment Policy
HS019	Pandemic Flu Policy and Procedure
HS020	Radon Policy

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HS021	Risk Assessment Policy
HS022	Slips and Trips Policy
HS023	Traffic Movement on Site Policy
HS024	Working at Heights Policy
HS025	Use of School Vehicle Policy

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