



At Chellaston Infant School, we believe that everyone should reach their full potential in a safe, fun and happy environment which promotes independence, self-worth and excellence. Everyone is a learner whose values are respected.

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VISITORS POLICY

Date	Change made where?	Change description	Approved by Governors	Next review
13/08/2020	Section2	Updated to reflect COVID19 procedures for visitor protocol.	Virtually agreed with COVID adaptations for time-limited period.	
23/05/2022		Removed COVID procedures	Summer 1 2022	Summer 1 2025

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Statement of intent

This policy is designed to outline Chellaston Infant School's policy regarding visitors to our school grounds.

This policy will enable our school to:

- Safeguard and protect the welfare of pupils and staff members.
- Prevent unnecessary disruption to lessons and other educational activities.
- Protect our grounds and facilities from vandalism and misuse.
- Engage with the community and outside educational influences in a structured and productive manner.

1. Authorisation

- 1.1. Individuals who would like to visit the school, but are not in contact with a member of staff regarding this, should arrange their visit through the school office, who can be contacted on 01332 700298
- 1.2. The office will record the date and time of the proposed visit, reason for the visit, name of the visitor(s), and the name of the organisation they belong to where applicable.
- 1.3. Teachers, or other staff members, arranging visitors to the school for educational purposes will collate all the above required information and pass this on to the school office for the headteacher's authorisation.
- 1.4. Visitors who arrive at the school without a prior appointment may be permitted to meet with the headteacher/other staff members where these members of the school staff are happy to do so. The visitor will not be allowed into the school without the supervision of a teacher, member of the reception staff or member of the senior leadership team.
- 1.5. Parents are discouraged from visiting the school during school hours unless for a school event or emergency. Where a parent arrives at the school, they must follow the visiting procedures outlined below.

2. Visiting procedures

- 2.1. All visitors to the school, including parents, will comply with the following procedure:
 - Immediately report to the school reception area on arrival
 - Provide their details to the reception staff, including:
 - Name
 - Purpose of visit
 - Name of pupil the visit pertains to/staff member who arranged the visit
 - Expected length of visit
 - Sign-in, including leaving a mobile phone number for the purposes of NHS Test and Trace
 - Display ID badges provided at all times while on school property
 - Sign-out upon departure
 - Return ID badges to the school office before departure
- 2.2. Visitors are made aware of relevant school policies, including that in relation to health and safety, reporting a concern and emergency procedures.
- 2.3. Visitors are advised that our school is a non-smoking area and smoking is not permitted anywhere within school grounds.
- 2.4. Prior to the visit, all visitors are made aware of any specific parking arrangements which the school has in place.
- 2.5. Unless they have undergone the necessary DBS check, visitors to the school will not work in regulated activity and will be supervised at all times.
- 2.6. Visits to the school by contractors are managed by our School Business Manager or Site Manager.
- 2.7. Visitors will be asked to wear a mask during their visit to site if they are meeting with school staff.
- 2.8. Parents/caregivers/friends/relations, etc. attending scheduled open days, sports events or other 'by-invitation' school activities may be exempt from some of the visiting procedures outlined above.

- 2.9. Anyone attending school events should keep to the areas of the school grounds where the events are taking place (for example the sports field, school hall, etc.).

3. Unidentified individuals

It is the responsibility of all staff members to politely question any individual who enters the school premises unaccompanied and/or without a clearly displayed name badge. Any such visitors will be directed to the school office where they can sign-in. If a visitor refuses to report to the school office, or becomes aggressive or abusive, they will be asked to leave the premises and the police may be called to assist.

4. Visitor conduct

Visitors to the school will be required to act in accordance with the school's Code of Conduct and other relevant school policies at all times; the code of conduct will be shared with visitors at the point of signing in whereby their agreement will be sought.

Chellaston Infant School reserves the right to escort individuals from the premises who act in an aggressive or threatening manner towards staff members, pupils, governors, parents or other visitors.

Under section 547 of the Education Act 1996, it is an offence for any person to cause a nuisance or disturbance on school premises; therefore, the police may be contacted to assist in the removal of individuals from the premises, where necessary. In the event of persistent occurrence of unacceptable behaviour on the school site, Chellaston Infant School has the right to request a banning order from the LA for the individual in question.

Visitors will be removed from the premises without notice, if it is considered that their interactions put themselves or others at risk of harm including but not solely, radicalisation.

Contractors working on site within the pupil day will be asked to relinquish their mobile devices unless specifically required for the completion of their work, in which case they will be supervised whilst mobile devices are in use.

Professionals from other agencies, school Governors, trainees, students or school volunteers will be asked to follow the staff code of conduct, including in relation to mobile devices at the point of induction.

5. Monitoring and review

- 5.1. This policy will be monitored and reviewed annually by the headteacher and governing board.
- 5.2. Amendments to the policy will be communicated to all members of the school community.