The Federation of St James the Great and St. John's Catholic Primary Schools'





Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

This is The Federation of St James the Great and St John's Primary Schools' 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; and
- 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

The schools aim to :

- enable every child to fulfil their learning potential, with education that meets the needs of each child,
- help every child develop the skills, knowledge and personal qualities needed for life and work,

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

- Who we are and what we do
- What we spend and how we spend it
- What our priorities are and how we are doing
- How we make decisions
- Policies and procedures
- Lists and registers
- Services we offer

4. How to request information

All requests for information must be received in writing (by letter or email) to ensure that we have a clear statement of what is required. Requests should state the enquirers name and correspondence address. Once a request has been received in writing you will have the statutory right to receive the information within twenty working days. Working days refers to term time only as contained in Statutory Instrument 3364. Contact details are set out below or you can visit the schools' websites at:

www.stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk Email: office@stjamesthegreat.southwark.sch.uk Address: St James the Great Catholic Primary School Peckham Road Peckham London SE15 5LP

www.stjohnsrotherhithe.co.uk Email : office@st-john.southwark.sch.uk Address: St John's Catholic Primary School St Elmo's Road Rotherhithe London SE16 6SD

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 write to the school to ask if we have it.

If the information requested is already held by another body, we are within our rights to refuse the request, but will direct the enquirer to the appropriate source.

In some instances we may withhold the information you have requested under one of the exemptions applicable under the legislation.

5. Paying for information

Most of information covered by this publication is provided free of charge via our website unless stated otherwise in section 6. If you don't have Internet access, you can access our website using a local library or an internet café. We may charge a fee for photocopying / printing / faxing / postage of longer documents where the information is not listed in our publication scheme as being available either free of charge or at a standard charge. If you ask for information in an expensive alternative format, we may charge for this, subject to legislation, such as the Equality Act. If we intend to charge we will let tell you in advance what the charge will be (through a fees notice) and will provide the information when we receive payment. The time allowed for us to provide the information does not include the period between issuing the fees notice and the receipt of the payment.

6. Guide to information available from The Federation of St James the Great and St John's Catholic Primary Schools under the ICO model publication scheme.

Information to be published	How the information can be obtained	Cost
Class 1 - Who we are and what we do This will		
be current information only		
Who's who in the school	Website	Free
Who's who on the governing body and the basis of their appointment	Website	Free
	Hard Copy	10p/sheet
Instrument of Government	Contact the School	
Contact details for the Head teacher and for the governing body, via the school (named contacts where possible)	Website	Free
School prospectus	Website	Free
Governor Reports		
	Hard Copy	10p/sheet
	Contact the School	
Staffing structure	Website	Free
School session times and term dates	Website	Free
Address of School and contact details, including email	Website	Free
Class 2 – What we spend and how we spend it Current		
financial year as a minimum		
Articles of Association	Hard Copy Contact the School	10p/sheet

Financial statements	Hard copy	
	Contact School Office	10p/sheet
Capital funding	Hardcopy	10p/sheet
	Contact School Office	
Funding Agreements	Hard copy	10p/sheet
	Contact School Office	
Financial audit reports	Hardcopy	N/A
	Inspection only. Contact School	
	Office	
Pay policy	Hard copy	
	Contact School Office	10p/sheet
Staffing structure.	Hardcopy	
	Contact School Office	10p/sheet
Governors' allowances that can be incurred or claimed, and a record of total payments	Hardcopy	10p/sheet
made to individual governors	Contact School Office	
Class 3 – What our priorities are and how we are doing Current		
information as a minimum		
School profile	Website	Free
 Performance data supplied to the English Government or a direct link to the data The latest Ofsted report – link to full report. 		
Performance management policy and procedures adopted by the governing body.	Hardcopy	10p/sheet
	Contact School Office	
School Development Plan	Hardcopy	10p/sheet
	Contact School Office	
Schools future plans; for example, proposals for and any consultation on the future of the	Website	Free
school		
Safeguarding and Child Protection Polices	Website	Free

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Admissions policy	Website Current	Free
	Hard Copy for past copies	10p/sheet
Agendas and minutes of meetings of the governing body and (if held) its committees (NB this will	Available for inspection Contact	Free
exclude information that is properly regarded as private to the meetings)	School Office	
Class 5 – Our policies and procedures Current		
information only		
School policies including:		
1. Charging and remissions policy	Website	Free
2. Health and Safety		
3. Complaints procedure	Hard Copy	10p/sheet
 Information request handling policy Single Equality Plan 	Contact School Office	
6. eSafety Policy		
Pupil and curriculum policies, including:	Website	Free
Home-school agreement		
Curriculum		
Special Educational Needs and Disabilities		
Behaviour		
Attendance		
Sex Education Policy		
Class 6 – Lists and Registers		
Currently maintained lists and registers only		
Disclosure log	Inspection Only	Free
Asset register	Inspection Only	Free
Any information the school is currently legally required to hold in publicly available	Inspection Only	Free
registers (THIS DOES NOT INCLUDE THE ATTENDANCE REGISTER)		

Website Website Music Tuition, Extended School	Free Free
Website	
	Free
Music Tuition Extended School	
Offer, After-school Activities. Apply to School Business Manager/Office Manager via the School Office	
Website	Free
Website	Free
	Apply to School Business Manager/Office Manager via the School Office Website

The general charge for photocopying, printing and faxing or emailing information as an attachment is 10p per sheet (black & white). Postage charges will be at the appropriate rate. For more substantial items, the fee charged depends on whether we estimate that it would cost more or less than £450 to provide the information.

In most cases the cost will be under £450 and we will then charge only for photocopying, printing, faxing and postage. We may also charge for any work required to put the information into the required format, which could involve, for example:

- Summarising the information
- Putting the information onto other media
- Translating the information into a different language.

We will not normally charge for providing information in an alternative format where this is requested on grounds of disability.

7. Key personnel

Any member of staff of the Federation can accept a request for information as long as it fulfils the criteria set out in Section 4. The request for information must be forwarded to the Executive Headteacher as soon as possible. The Governing Body is responsible for ensuring a policy is in place and its effectiveness is monitored. The School Business Manager/School Office Manager is responsible for recording the requests for information, the action taken and the responses made. The Executive Headteacher has day to day responsibility for deciding whether a request is in line with the Freedom of information Act and will delegate the collation of information appropriately.

8. Feedback and Complaints

We welcome any comments or suggestions you may have about the scheme. If you want to make any comments about this publication scheme or if you require further assistance or wish to make a complaint then initially this should be addressed to the Executive Headteacher (Ms Janice Babb)

If the complaint cannot be resolved by the Exectuive Headteacher, it can be referred to the Chair of Governors. Correspondence should be sent to the school.

Following this, if the complaint remains unresolved and you feel that a formal complaint needs to be made then this should be addressed to the Information Commissioner's Office. This is the organisation that ensures compliance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000 and that deals with formal complaints. They can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF Or

Enquiry/Information Line: 01625 545 700 E <u>Mail: publications@ic-foi.demon.co.uk</u> Website: <u>www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk</u>

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