

# FREEDOM OF INFORMATION POLICY

This is Landscore Primary School's Publication Scheme on information available under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

The governing body is responsible for maintenance of this scheme.

#### 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 in paper form.

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.

#### **Aims and Objectives**

The school aims to:

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

and this publication scheme is a means of showing how we are pursuing these aims.

#### 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:

- School Prospectus information published in the school prospectus.
- School Profile and other information relating to the governing body information published in the School Profile and in other governing body documents.

- Pupils & Curriculum information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.
- School Policies and other information related to the school information about policies that relate to the school in general.

### 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 or letter. Contact details are set out below.

Email: admin@landscore-primary.devon.sch.uk

Tel: **01363 772018** 

Contact Address: Landscore Primary School, Threshers, Crediton, EX17 3JH

Website Address: www.landscoreprimary.co.uk

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.

### **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 Internet access, 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. Where there is a charge this will be indicated by a £ sign in the description box.

## **Classes of Information Currently Published**

**School Prospectus** – this section sets out information published in the school prospectus.

Class	Description
School	The statutory contents of the school prospectus are as follows, (other items
Prospectus	may be included in the prospectus at the school's discretion):
	<ul> <li>information about the implementation of the governing body's policy on pupils with special educational needs (SEN) and any changes to the policy during the last year</li> <li>a description of the 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 covering future policies for increasing access by those with disabilities to the school</li> </ul>

**School Profile and other information relating to the governing body**— this section sets out information published in the School Profile and in other governing body documents.

Class	Description	
<b>School Profile</b>	The contents of the School Profile are as follows:	

	list information included in the school profile e.g.		
	o performance data		
	<ul> <li>summary of Ofsted report</li> </ul>		
	<ul> <li>school's intentions for the future, etc.</li> </ul>		
Instrument of	The name of the school		
Government	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 <sup>1</sup> of	Agreed minutes of meetings of the governing body and its committees		
meeting of the	[current and last full academic school year]		
governing			
body and its			
committees			

**Pupils & Curriculum Policies** - This section gives access to information about policies that relate to pupils and the school curriculum.

Class	Description
Curriculum	Statement on following the policy for the secular curriculum subjects and
Policy	religious education and schemes of work and syllabuses currently used by
	the school
Sex Education	Statement of policy with regard to sex and relationship education
Policy	
Special	Information about the school's policy on providing for pupils with special
Education Needs	educational needs
Policy	
Accessibility	Plan for increasing participation of disabled pupils in the school's
Plans	curriculum, improving the accessibility of the physical environment and
	improving delivery of information to disabled pupils.
Equality Policy	Statement of policy for promoting equality
and Guidance	
Collective	Statement of arrangements for the required daily act of collective worship
Worship	
Safeguarding	Statement of policy for safeguarding and promoting welfare of pupils at
and Child	the school.
Protection Policy	
Behaviour Policy	Statement of general principles on behaviour and discipline and of
	measures taken by the head teacher 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.

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Published reports of Ofsted	Published report of the last inspection of the school and,
referring expressly to the	where appropriate, inspection reports of religious education
school	in those schools designated as having a religious character
Ofsted inspection Self-	A statement of the governing body's evaluation of the
Evaluation Form <sup>1</sup>	school's performance.
Charging and Remissions	A statement of the school's policy with respect to charges and
Policies	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	Details of school session and dates of school terms and
term dates	holidays
Health and Safety Policy and	Statement of general policy with respect to health and safety
risk assessments	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	Statement of procedures adopted by the governing body
Staff	relating to the performance management of staff and the
	annual report of the head teacher on the effectiveness of
	appraisal procedures
Staff Conduct, Discipline and	Statement of procedure for regulating conduct and discipline
Grievance	of school staff and procedures by which staff may seek
	redress for grievance
Pay Policy	Statement of the school's policy regarding teachers' pay
	including procedures for determining teachers' grievances in
	relation to their pay.
Staffing Structure	The school's plan for the implementation of any changes to its
Implementation Plan	staffing structure following statutory review.
Curriculum circulars and	Any statutory instruments, departmental circulars and
statutory instruments	administrative memoranda sent by the Department of
	Education and Skills to the head teacher or governing body
	relating to the curriculum
Admissions Policy	Statement of the school's policy on admissions

# **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 Mrs Debbie Main.

If you are not satisfied with the assistance that you get or if we have not been able to resolve your complaint 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

Enquiry/Information Line: 01625 545 700 publications@ic-foi.demon.co.uk. E Mail:

www.informationcommissioner.gov.uk Website:

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