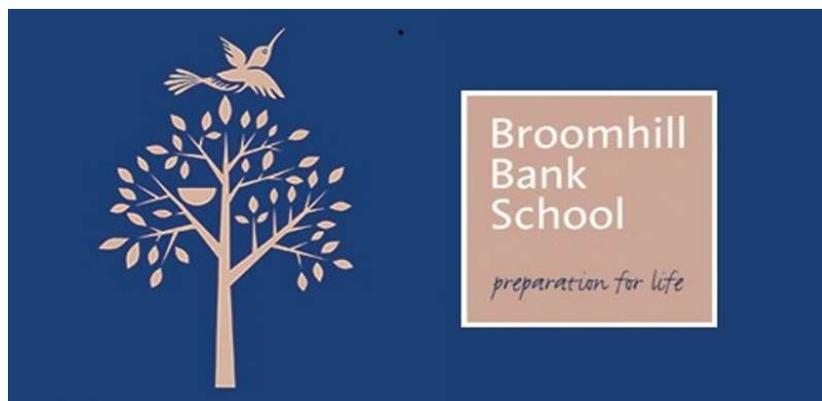


BROOMHILL BANK SCHOOL RESIDENTIAL



STUDENT ACCESS TO RISKY AREAS OF THE SCHOOL POLICY

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This policy outlines Broomhill Bank School's procedures for controlling or denying unauthorised access by students to potentially dangerous or risky areas of the School buildings and grounds. At any school, there are bound to be areas within the buildings or the grounds that are considered to present risks to the safety of students who may accidentally or deliberately stray into them.

Procedures

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.

Areas temporarily out of bounds are fenced or cordoned off and appropriate warning notice are placed to describe the danger. Some of the School grounds away from the main buildings, such as Lower Field on Broomhill Bank North are unlit and hence unauthorised access to these areas is prohibited during the hours of darkness.

Students are informed or reminded regularly by Boarding House and teaching staff of the dangers of entering riskier areas of the School. They 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.

Unsupervised access by Students

We ensure that students do not have unsupervised access to potentially dangerous areas, such as the science laboratories, the Design Technology classroom, Care Takers offices and the Sports Hall storage area. Doors to these areas are always kept locked when not in use.

All flammables and laboratory chemicals are kept securely locked in appropriate storage facilities. Students are not allowed to use sporting equipment without supervision. Students do not have unsupervised access to the School building at night, or to the maintenance or catering areas.

All boarders have to be accompanied before leaving site unless assessed able to do so via a personal risk assessment.

BUILDING OR AREA CONTROL MEASURES

Potentially dangerous areas within the School grounds

- Electrical Sub Stations
- Swimming Pool area
- F Block
- Water Tower

are securely fenced to prevent access from students at all times.

Temporary contractors' compounds and areas of work (e.g. building works, tree felling, road works)

- Area fenced or cordoned off
- Warning notices placed
- Work programmed for holiday periods wherever possible
- Specific hazards briefed to all Students on arrival or as they arise.

Boarding Specific

During the School day boarders are out of the boarding house and integrated into daily school life. Therefore, unless they are ill or for reasons known to boarding staff such as transition support, they are out of the house during School hours.

All boarding students must attend an afterschool reflection in the Boarding House. They are then expected to be in their boarding house or designated area prior to evening activities. After this, boarding students have free time in the house and with permission are allowed to play sport outside. Access is also given to the Music Room for evening practice and lessons.

All boarders are expected to return to the boarding house by a designated time given by house duty staff.

Security

The duty caretaker locks the school and grounds in the evening and makes sure the site is appropriately secure. All doors that provide access to the main school buildings and/or classrooms areas are locked and CCTV operates within the grounds.