THE CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL SCHOOL



Freedom of Information Publication Scheme

The Children's Hospital School at Great Ormond Street & UCH

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Mission Statement

The Children's Hospital School seeks to minimise the interruption and disruption to children's and young people's education so that academic progress and an interest in learning will continue as far as medical circumstances permit. In order to fulfil this, we aim to:

- Provide personalised, challenging, enjoyable and innovative learning opportunities.
- Make learning an integral part of children and young people's stay in hospital
- Foster values of friendship and determination
- Prepare and empower pupils in the present and for the future
- Support, nurture and value families and carers.

This Publication Scheme is a means of showing how we are pursuing these aims.

Class 1: Who we are and what we do Organisational information, structures, locations and contacts		
Information to be published	How we will provide the information	Cost
Who's who in the school / Location and contact information Who's who on the governing body and the basis of their appointment	school website school website	no charge no charge
Instrument of Government / Articles of Association School Prospectus (N/A) School Information Sheet	email upon request n/a school website	no charge n/a no charge
Staffing structure School session times and term dates	email upon request school website	no charge no charge

Class 2: What we spend and how we spend it *Financial information relating to projected and actual income and expenditure, procurement, contracts and financial audit*

Information to be published	How we will provide	Cost
	the information	
Annual budget plan and financial statements	email upon request	no charge
Capital funding	email upon request	no charge
Financial audit reports	email upon request	no charge
Details on expenditure of items over £5000	email upon request	no charge
Procurement and contracts:		
Details of procedures used for the acquisition of goods	email upon request	no charge
and services	email upon request	no charge
Details of any contracts that have gone through a formal		
tendering process		
Pay policy	email upon request	no charge
Staff Allowances:		
Details of the allowances and expenses that can be	email upon request	no charge
incurred or claimed.		
Staff pay and grading structure		
salaries for senior staff (Senior Leadership Team or	email upon request	no charge
equivalent as above) in bands of £10,000; for more junior		
posts, by salary range.		
Governors' allowances:		
Allowances (N/A)	email upon request	no charge
Governors' Expenses Policy	email upon request	no charge

Class 3: What our priorities are and how we are doing *Strategies and plans, performance indicators, audits, inspections and reviews*

Information to be published	How we will provide the information	Cost
School profile: Latest Ofsted report –Summary and Full Report Performance management policy and procedures adopted by the Governing Body	School website email upon request	no charge no charge
<u>School Future Plans:</u> School Improvement Plan	email upon request	no charge
<u>Safeguarding and child protection:</u> Looked After Children Policy Safeguarding Policy Online safety Policy	school website school website school website	no charge no charge no charge

Decision making processes and records of decisions		
Information to be published	How we will provide the information	Cost
Admissions policy / decisions		
Admissions overview	school website	no charge
Admissions Policy email upon request		no charge
Governing Body and its committees		
Agendas of meetings of the Full Governing Body and its sub-committees	email upon request	no charge
Minutes of meetings of the Full Governing Body and its sub-committees	email upon request	no charge
(n.b. this will exclude information that is properly considered confidential to the meeting).		

Class 5: Our policies and procedures *Current written protocols, policies and procedures for delivering school services and responsibilities*

Information to be published	How we will provide the information	Cost
School policies		
Complaints Policy	school website	no charge
Health and Safety Policy	email	no charge
Pupil and curriculum policies		
Curriculum Statement	school website	no charge
Curriculum Overviews: Early Years/Primary and Secondary	school website	no charge
Schoolrooms		
SEND policy	school website	no charge
Curriculum Accessibility Plan	school website	no charge
Physical Accessibility Plan	school website	no charge
Published Materials Accessibility Plan	school website	no charge
Statement of Behaviour Principles	school website	no charge
Relationships Policy	email	no charge
Records management and personal data policies		
Data Protection Policy	school website	no charge
Equality and diversity (including equal enpertunities)		
Equality and diversity (including equal opportunities) policies		
Equality Policy	School website	no charge
Policies and procedures for the recruitment of staff		
Safer recruitment policy	email	no charge

Class 6: Lists and Registers <i>Currently maintained lists and registers only (this does not include the attendance register.)</i>	Hard copy and/or website (some information in this class may only be available by inspection)	Specify / charging schedule
Information to be published	How we will provide the information	Cost
Curriculum circulars and statutory instruments	Email upon request	Schedule of charges
Governing Body register of disclosable interests	school website	No charge
Log of Freedom of Information Disclosure	Email upon request	no charge

Class 7: The services we offerInformation about the services the school offers including leaflets, guidance and newslettersproduced for the public and businessesInformation to be publishedKernel School publications, leaflets books and newslettersSchool publications, leaflets books and newsletters

APPENDIX A: Further Information about Freedom of Information Requests

How do I make a Freedom Information Request?

We aim to publish as much information as possible on our school website at <u>http://www.gosh.camden.sch.uk</u> so it is a good idea to **check our website first** before making your Freedom of Information request.

If the information is not available on our website, please send your information request

by email to: <u>head@gosh.camden.sch.uk</u>

by post to: The Head Teacher The Children's Hospital School at GOSH & UCH Great Ormond Street NHS Trust Great Ormond Street London WC1N 3JH

If you need help or advice about making your information request please phone the school on 020 7813 8269

To help us process requests quickly, any correspondence should be clearly marked "Publication Scheme Request".

How will I receive the information?

If the information is not available on our website, we will endeavour to email it to you or send you a hard copy. Providing a hard copy usually involves a charge for the copying and postage which will be calculated in accordance with the charging schedule (see below: <u>How much does it cost?</u>)

In exceptional circumstances, some information may be available only by viewing in person. We will arrange an appointment for you to view the information within a reasonable timescale. We will provide the information in the language in which it is held or in such other language that is legally required.

We will comply with any obligations under disability and discrimination legislation and any other legislation to provide information in other forms and formats when providing information in accordance with this scheme.

What can I ask about?

You can ask about anything. We aim to be transparent but, under the Freedom of Information Act we can withhold certain information, for instance:

- where the disclosure is protected by law
- if the information is in draft form
- if the information is no longer readily available/accessible as it is contained in files that have been placed in archive storage

How much does it cost?

In most instances requests are free. However, if you are requesting large amounts of information that require lots of printing, photocopying or formatting then we are allowed to make a small charge to cover these costs as well as any postage and packaging.

If a charge is to be made, we will let you know the amount of the payment before the information is provided. We may ask you to pay before we send you the information.

Charging Schedule

TYPE OF CHARGE	DESCRIPTION	BASIS OF CHARGE
Disbursement cost	Photocopying/printing @0.586p per sheet (black & white)	Actual cost incurred by school
	Photocopying/printing @ 5.272p per sheet (colour)	Actual cost incurred by school
	Postage	Actual cost of Royal Mail standard 2 nd class
Statutory Fee		In accordance with relevant legislation

How long will it take to hear back?

We normally aim to respond within 20 working days.

Certain information requests may take longer if they need to be sent to the hospital communications departments to ensure compliance with the Freedom of Information schemes of either UCH or Great Ormond St Hospital.

