

## **Fire Risk (Prevention)**

### School Purpose Statement

#### Inspiring Education for Life

**Caterham School is one of the leading co-educational schools in the country. We are committed to providing an environment in which all pupils are challenged to be the best they can be and one in which pastoral care and well-being underpin academic, co-curricular and sporting excellence. The majority of our pupils are day pupils but we are also a thriving boarding community, which enriches the educational opportunity and experience for all. We believe in providing an education for life for all Caterhamians and we seek to ensure that the learning experience at our school blends the best of tradition with the exciting opportunities provided by new technology. Learning how to learn is a key facet of a Caterham education and is in our view an essential skill for life in the twenty-first century. We believe that a truly excellent school is about more than academic achievement alone: it**

**the safety and wellbeing of our staff and visitors. All employees have a responsibility to make**

**the premises has appropriate firefighting equipment, detectors and alarms. Fire safety testing and maintenance is carried out on a regular basis as defined in the fire log book**

**the premises is equipped with emergency lighting as required to allow the safe evacuation of staff in the event of the failure of normal lighting during an emergency. Emergency lighting is tested on a regular basis as defined in the fire log book**

**the School is monitored by a fully addressable, remotely monitored fire alarm system. In the event of alarm activation during school hours the monitoring service will contact the school to ensure we are aware of the activation. Marshals will check the cause of activation and if necessary call the fire brigade. The monitoring service will automatically contact the fire brigade to attend the School in event of a fire alarm outside school hours. The other emergency services will be contacted following School procedure as set out in our Health and Safety Policy**

**There are appointed competent fire marshals, who have experience and knowledge to assist in taking preventative and protective measures, including firefighting and evacuation; these are named as fire marshals and should refer to the Fire Marshal Instructions**

**the fire alarm is tested on a set day and time each week from a different call point**