

HAWLEY PRIMARY SCHOOL



Camden's Physical Intervention and Restraint Policy Core Statement

This statement forms part of our Safeguarding and Child Protection Policy.

On rare occasions, school staff may need to use physical intervention or restraint in order to safeguard pupils or maintain discipline within the school environment. 'Keeping Children Safe in Education' recognises that there are circumstances where it is appropriate for staff to use reasonable force to achieve these aims.

This core statement is to be read in conjunction with the school's 'Physical Intervention and Restraint Policy'

Camden's Physical Intervention and Restraint Policy Core Statement – to be included in a newsletter, on the school website. Made available to staff and parents.

Policy to be put on the website once agreed Oct. 2018

To be included as part of the school's behaviour management strategy

Camden's core statement

Physical intervention and restraint on pupils should only be used as a last resort, normally when de-escalation strategies have failed, and when there is a clear risk of serious harm to the pupil or others or serious damage to property or to deal with serious classroom disruption.

Decisions on when to use physical intervention is a matter of professional judgement and any intervention or restraint should be proportionate and reasonable in the context of the perceived risk and in the pupil's best interests. This would normally be after de-escalation strategies have failed. Should such an intervention be required the school should record the details, including any injury, and contact the parent/carer on the same day to explain the circumstances involved.