KING EDWARD VII SCHOOL

EMERGENCY AND EVACUATION PLAN - 2016

In the event of an emergency the Emergency Committee (Messrs Hansen, Thorne, de Wet, Mr Matthee, Mrs Schumyn and Mrs Gordon) will report to the Headmaster's office.

1. **Meanings of alarm signals**

1.1 Foghorn (long blast)

This signal means that pupils must fall flat wherever they are and await further signals or instructions from the Headmaster or appointed staff members. Activated by Controller and Deputy – one to cover east of School buildings and one to cover the west (including Technology block).

1.2 Yelp (loudhailer)

- ➤ The signal to evacuate to the fields is a YELP signal or an instruction given by loudhailer.
- The Headmaster and Committee to decide which section of the building must be evacuated or needs assistance and which assembly area is to be used. Activated by Controller and Deputy one to cover east of School buildings and one to cover the west (including Technology block).

1.3 Intermittent ringing of bell

➤ The signal to evacuate to the Hugh Wilson Square is short rings of the bell. Activated by Controller and Deputy – one to cover east of grounds, *i.e.* down Oak Street and one the west, *i.e.* past Technology block.

A continuous ringing of the school bell will signal the all clear.

2. Action to be taken when an alarm signal is given

- 2.1 When either the BELL or YELP signal are sounded, pupils are to pack all bags and take them to the place directed by the signal.
- 2.2 The class is to walk quietly either to the centre rugby field or to the Hugh Wilson Square via the indicated routes.
- 2.3 House Group lists to be collected from Mr Hansen and House Group Leaders, with the monitors, must call the roll in the quadrangle or on the rugby field and report to the controller at the control point. (Report anyone missing, etc.) (Mr de Wet will be the controller please report CLEARLY.)
- 2.4 Mr van Rooyen to alert Art and Technology centres.

Administrative staff and domestic workers (kitchen staff) including Mrs Reineke to report to Mr Matthee. Mrs Wessels to lock front door and office.

Mrs Wessels to call Mrs Tew.

Mrs Tew to alert association office and Mr Matthee and Mr Sim / Mrs Young.

Ground staff to report to Mr Matthee. Mr Baloyi to act as runner if required.

Mrs Wessels / Mrs Dale to phone the tuck shop.

Mrs Wessels to phone the hostels.

Students and block leaders to report to Mr Hansen.

Mr Erasmus to check that staff members, who are not House Group Leaders, report to him.

Mr Hansen to inform students on arrival.

Mrs Schumyn to clear the library.

Mr Olivier to clear the gym.

2.5 Should the **YELP** be sounded at break, everyone must go straight to the centre rugby field. The BELL indicates the boys must move from where they are to the Hugh Wilson Square.

2.6 Routes to be taken to the fields:

Rooms 1 – 7 West stairs
Rooms 8 – 15 East stairs

Rooms 17, 18, 19, 26, 32, 33, 35 and

Old Staffroom and Old Prefects room Out past Auditorium and fish pond

Library Own entrance
Lecture Hall Own entrance

Rooms 36 – 42 Proceed to north of main buildings past main entrance through

Memorial Garden, past the old gymnasium

Rooms 20 – 25 & HOD Science stairs and east of boys' toilet and Room 51

Rooms 45 – 50 Own stairs

Rooms 51 – 53 Move out east of Geography block

Rooms 55 – 58 Own entrances

Rooms 59 – 63 Move out east of Geography block

Office staff & Boardroom Front entrance

Staffroom Memorial garden / staff quadrangle

IT Centre Doors to tarmac Ground staff Nearest exit

2.7 Evacuation to the Hugh Wilson Square (intermittent ringing of the bell)

Rooms 1 - 7 to use the West stairs.

Rooms 8 – 15 to use the East stairs.

All other rooms to take easiest and guickest route to Hugh Wilson Square.

2.8 Learners to line up on the Hugh Wilson Square in House Group order. Houses to line up in the following order: Anderson, Crofts, Grimmer, Hofmeyr, Robinson, Davis, Hill and School starting on the eastern side (IT Centre) of the Hugh Wilson Square.

2.9 Movement from quadrangle to fields

a) Grade 8's & 9's Through Memorial Gardens to field

b) Grade 10's East stairs
c) Grade 11's West stairs
d) Grade 12's Science stairs

Assembly point: On field – Houses to line up in the following order: Anderson, Crofts, Grimmer, Hofmeyr, Robinson, Davis, Hill and School starting at the Rob Wray Pavilion side.

Controller and Deputy will control movement using the loudhailers.

3. Action to be taken in the event of:

3.1 Attack

- Pupils drop to the floor and move to the walls in the direction of the threat.
- > Use tables or desks against walls for shelter.
- Remain lying against the wall and keep heads covered until order to move is given.
- > Person in control will notify the authorities.
- > Do **NOT** evacuate until notified to do so. (Reassure pupils, keep them calm and quiet.)

3.2 Attack during breaks, before or after school or during change of classes

- > Pupils to drop to the ground at once.
- Crawl for cover and lie still until danger is past.

3.3 **Fire**

- Use fire extinguishers.
- Close windows.
- Pupils to leave classroom.
- Last person leaving room closes door.
- > Pupils to move to closest safe room in *opposite* wind direction.
- Fire-fighting teams remove the injured from the buildings and leave them in the care of the first-aid teams outside the building. Fire-fighting teams are therefore the only ones to have access to the building after evacuation.

3.4 **Bomb Threat**

- 3.4.1 Before using day-room each day, staff must check for foreign or unidentified objects.
- 3.4.2 It is imperative in the event of a bomb threat that we can recognise and identify foreign objects in School property.
 - Teachers must identify any foreign objects in their cupboards, desks, etc.
 - Staff not teaching at the time must check their own classrooms before reporting to the controller. Thus all floors, cupboards and desks should be accounted for before the teacher leaves the classroom. (This is not an exhaustive search but should rather be part of a general awareness of the state of one's classroom.)
 - Teachers will be responsible for the area of corridor between their classroom and the exit as indicted on the evacuation plan.
 - All unidentified bags, boxes, etc. must be reported to the Controller at the control point.

3.4.3 Staff responsible for accompanying the bomb squad:

- ➤ Main block including library, staffroom and lecture hall Mr Marx
- Science block, Faber building Mrs Peyper
- Geography block, Industrial Arts Centre, Art Centre and Tuck-shop Mr Hammond
- 3.4.4 Please do not lock any rooms when leaving after the emergency signal.
- 3.4.5 Keys will be issued to those members accompanying the bomb squad.

4. Fire Fighting Teams

Leader: Mr de Wet
 Deputy Leader: Mr Maqina
 Reserve: Grade 12 A

5. First Aid

Leader: Mrs Schumyn (to control equipment)

Deputy Leader: Mrs Asvat (to take small first aid kit to evacuation point)

Storage of emergency packs and equipment:

a) Room 55A Mr Gaunt (1 First Aid pack) The Deputy Controller
b) Room 11 Mrs Reynolds (1 First Aid pack) to allocate boys to carry
c) Room 50 Mrs Mohr (1 First Aid Pack) these packs out to the assembly area.

Mrs Schumyn / Mrs Asvat to organise first aid teams.

6. **Plan of Terrain** – Sketch attached

7. **Post**

Mrs Dale / Mrs Reineke control and open all incoming post. Detection and handling of possible letter bombs.

8. School Buses

- Mr Matthee to check after reporting to controller.
- Buses must be checked before use.
- Evacuation of buses by pupils in emergency.

9. Block Leaders

➤ A Block Leader is a person assigned to take control of a specific area of the School in the case of an emergency.

9.1 Duties of Block Leaders:

- a) To sweep their area for any foreign object or stray bag (this must be reported to the controller).
- b) To make certain everyone in their block has heard the signal and is acting accordingly.
- c) Indicate alternative routes if necessary.

9.2 Areas and Leaders:

Lower quadrangle : Mr Dunne Upper quadrangle Mr Thompson ➤ Science Block (rooms 36-42) Mrs Peyper **Mrs Crous** West Wing ➤ Faber Wing (rooms 59 – 63) Mr Holmes ➤ Geography (rooms 45 – 53) Mr Hammond Technology & Art Centre Mr van Rooyen Swimming Pool **PE Master on Duty** > IT Centres Mr Tew

➢ IT Centres
 ➢ Library
 ➢ Tuck-shop
 ➢ Rob Wray
 Mr Tew
 Mrs Schumyn
 Mr Meyer
 Mr Olivier

10. Traffic Controller

Mr Matthee to open gates for emergency vehicles if necessary and to direct traffic where necessary.

11. Checking of Evacuation Point

> Check for foreign objects at point of evacuation; checking to be done by Mr Holmes and Mr Magina.

12. Communications

In case of any emergency 24/7 will be notified to assist – Mr Thorne

13. Emergency Committee

All members of the Emergency Committee must be informed of their duties in writing.

➤ The following are members of the Committee :

◆ Executive Committee : Headmaster Mr Lovatt

Deputies Mr Hansen, Mr Erasmus, Mr Thorne

and Mrs Groenewald

♦ Emergency Controller : Mr Lovatt / Mr Hansen

◆ Deputy Controller / Learners : Mr de Wet

♦ Communications Controller : 24/7

First Aid: Mrs Schumyn
Deputy First Aid: Mrs Asvat
Fire Fighting: Mr de Wet
Deputy Fire Fighting: Mr van Rooyen
Traffic Controller: Mr Matthee
Staff Controller: Mr Hansen
Admin Controller: Mr Sim

All Block Leaders are members of the Emergency Committee.