

BROADMOOR ESCAPES

NOTICE TO PARENTS OF PUPILS ATTENDING ST MICHAEL'S,
SUNNINGHILL, WHO LIVE IN THE VICINITY OF BROADMOOR HOSPITAL.

1. The police will arrange for all schools within approximately seven miles of Broadmoor Hospital to be notified in the event of an escape. The warning siren will have been activated.

The warning siren is tested each Monday at 10 a.m. for 2 ½ minutes. The main siren is situated at the Hospital and there is a ring of satellite sirens in the area.

2. If parents are not aware of an escape from the Hospital which has occurred before their children leave home, or if the escape occurs whilst children are on their way to school or during the morning session, pupils will be kept at school at midday and lunch will be provided. If parents decide to collect their children at midday they must be responsible for their safe conduct to school in the afternoon.

Should the emergency extend to the end of the afternoon school, no child will be allowed to leave the safety of the school premises unless collected by a parent or a responsible adult known personally to the staff.

3. Parents who know of an escape before their children leave home for school will be expected to make arrangements to escort them safely to school.
4. ON SUBSEQUENT DAYS parents will be solely responsible for the safe conduct of children to and from school.
5. Parents should discuss with Headteachers any special difficulties that are likely to arise in individual cases.
6. If an escape takes place parents are asked:
 - a) Not to telephone schools unless they wish to confirm safe arrival.
 - b) Not to collect their children from school other than at the end of the morning or afternoon sessions.

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Dear Parents,

Broadmoor Procedures

You will find attached to this letter a Policy on Broadmoor Procedures that applies to St Michael's.

When the school is notified of an escape during the school day families will be notified using the text message system. No child will be sent home alone.

If a child expects to be collected by another school age child (e.g. older brother or sister who attends Charters), we will contact one of the parents by phone to ask them to come to school to collect their children at 3.15 p.m. (It is vital that the school has up to date contact phone numbers.

At 3.15 p.m. when school ends, the children will wait in the school hall where we will ask you in one by one to collect them via the main visitors' entrance as playground gates will remain locked.

Clubs will not run on this day.

A letter will be issued to each child saying that there has been a notified escape and with details of the procedures.

If there is an escape outside school hours, or if an escape continues into the next day, it is the parents' responsibility to bring their child to school and ensure they have entered the building safely. On days such as this we would let children into the building from 8.40 a.m.

We hope that this guidance is helpful.

Yours sincerely

L Anderton
HEADTEACHER

Date

Dear Parents,

We wish to inform you that St Michael's has been notified today of an escape from Broadmoor. We ask you to follow the Broadmoor Procedures which you have at home. May we remind you that should the patient still be at large tomorrow morning it is the parents' responsibility to bring their children to school and ensure they have entered the building safely.

Yours sincerely

Valerie J. Woods
HEADTEACHER