

# **Lockdown Procedure**

There are important differences between the lockdown and shelter arrangements. Lockdown is necessary when children and staff need to be **locked** within buildings for their own safety i.e. in an emergency situation such as a hostile intruder, terrorist attack or other criminal activity.

## **Signals**

Alarm or signal for lockdown shelter	Siren (on hand held Megaphone)
Signal for stand down / all-clear	WhatsApp staff group message

# **Incident Control Officers & Response Team**

Role	Name	Emergency Contact Number
Incident Control Officer	Lewis Chapman	07752 476821
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Communications Officer	Sue Coombes	07960 031312

It is important to remember that it is very much **the exception** to evacuate a building in the event of a hostile intruder. Unless the location of the intruders is known, a "blind" evacuation may be putting people in more danger (e.g. from an intruder or device at one of the entrances/exits) than if they had remained within the building.

### Rooms most suitable for lockdown

1 Portakabins

It is important to make sure that items that could be used as weapons (kitchen implements, sports equipment, tools, cleaning products) are securely locked away when not in use.

#### **Communication arrangements**

Wherever possible use silent communications and keep noise to a minimum especially if the intruders are close by. Make sure any communications devices are secure and cannot be intercepted.

Mobile phones

Instant messaging – Staff WhatsApp Group

#### Other useful contacts:

Name	Emergency Contact Number
Local Police PCSO Katherine Hyde	0789 461 7567

Action Plan	Completed by (sign and time)
Sound Alert - Activate lock-down procedures immediately	
Dial 999	
Direct all children, staff, parents and signed in visitors to the nearest safe place (this may be dependent on what and where the risk is)	
Secure rooms and take action to increase protection from attack - Lock and barricade doors and windows	
Close windows / blinds	
Turn off the lights, fans or mobile air conditioning units (this will reduce noise and the risk of exposure to any chemical/biological attack)	
Hide, sit on the floor under desks, and away from windows	
Stay as silent as possible - put any mobile devises to silent (consider writing / displaying instructions on whiteboards / TV's etc as long as it can't be seen by the intruder)	
Ensure that students, staff and visitors are aware of an exit point in case the intruder does manage to gain access	
If possible, check for missing / injured students, staff and visitors	
Keep doors and windows locked shut and remain inside until an all-clear has been given, or unless told to evacuate by the emergency services	