S47 PUPIL ACCESS TO RISKY AREAS

Generally speaking, the school offers a very safe environment for children.

We have identified five areas which require restricted access:

(i) the kitchens, which are strictly out of bounds to all pupils and locked when not in use by catering staff;
(ii) the cellars, which are also out of bounds and kept locked when not in use by a member of staff,
(iii) the laundry room which is out of bounds to pupils and kept locked when not in use;
(iv) the surgery and
(v) the science lab, to which pupils are not admitted unless an adult is present. When not in use these rooms are also kept locked.

Other areas which are out of bounds to pupils and kept locked are cupboards containing cleaning materials.

Another area of potential danger is the road outside the school. Whenever boys are playing on Dean’s Yard they will be supervised by a responsible adult who will ensure that the road is crossed sensibly. When boys walk to the Abbey they will never do so alone, and they are instructed to use the pavement at all times, crossing only in the designated crossing place.

Since it is a public place, boys are potentially at risk when in Westminster Abbey. For this reason, they are always chaperoned by a member of school or Abbey staff, who has had satisfactory clearance from DBS, whenever they visit the Abbey.