

Permission for parents/carers to record still images of children at school events (academic year 20 _ / _)

(Name of school).....recognises that parents want to capture lasting reminders/
mementos of their children's participation in school events and is happy to support that.

The school can only record and permit the recording of images with signed consent from parents/carers. Some parents/carers choose to withhold their consent for very good and sensible reasons.

The development of digital photography and the common practice of sharing images via social networking sites present additional challenges for schools in terms of granting permission for parents/carers to record images.

The school allows you to take photographs in school of your own child or children only. This agreement is subject to you recognising the need to be sensitive to other people, not causing interruption or disruption to concerts, performances and events and ensuring children are not distracted from giving their best performances after months of practice and preparation.

Please note that if publishing photographs of your own children on social networking sites, the name of the school should not be placed alongside any such images.

However, the situation is less straightforward if recorded images include other children in addition to your own, e.g. photographs of children singing or performing in a group or team sport event.

For that reason, the school asks parents and carers to sign the slip below, undertaking only to record images of their own child/ren wherever possible and not to publish or upload any images of other children onto any websites or social networking sites. This is in order to respect the rights of other parents not to have images of their children published or distributed without their knowledge or consent.

* Similarly, the school is unable to agree to any parent or carer recording video images of school events (wherever possible, arrangements will be made for a professional company to make video recordings, copies of which will then be available for parents/carers to purchase) * delete/include as applicable

Thank you in anticipation of your understanding and co-operation in this matter.

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(Name of School)..... Permission to record still images of children at a school event

Name of Child: Class:

Name of Event: Date of Event:

I understand that the school has given me permission to record still images only* at the above named event.

1. I agree to comply with any requests/restrictions about when to take photographs.
2. I will only record images of my own child/children unless including other children is unavoidable (e.g. photographs of children singing or performing in a group or team sport event).
3. I will only use all recorded images for my own private family use.
4. I will not name the school alongside photographs of my child that I place on any social networking site.
5. I will not publish or upload any images of other children onto any website or social networking site. I understand that this is in order to respect the rights of other parents not to have images of their children published or distributed without their knowledge or consent.
6. I understand that failure to comply with this agreement could result in the school refusing permission for me to record images at future school events.

Signed.....Print Name

Please return this signed tear-off slip to the school office before the event