

- If using a video camera during assemblies/school performances you might be asked by the school to sit at the back of the room, to prevent obscuring other people's view.
- The school might ask you not to use your own video camera but offer you the opportunity to purchase a school video recording of the event.
- The school might ask you not to use your own camera but offer you the opportunity to purchase copies of school photographs of the event.
- If you are permitted to take photographs or videos, you should be aware that any images you take are for private use only and if they include others, they must not be put on the web/internet without their consent; otherwise Data Protection legislation may be contravened.

If you have any queries you should speak to a member of school.



**This leaflet has been produced to help parents, schools and the LA to protect their children.**

## Information

### **A Guide for Parent(s)/Carers(s)**



**On the permitted use of video equipment or cameras in schools.**

There will be occasions during the school year where you will wish to take photographs or make a video recording of your child or children taking part in a school activity.

Schools should take practical steps to ensure that pictures and images taken of children are done so in a way that reflects the protective ethos of the school.

In order to do so, schools need to ensure that parental use of photography and video is monitored and protected for the benefit of children and their parents.



You might be asked by your child/children's school to do one or more of the following:

- You might be asked to sign giving permission for your child to be photographed during school activities.
- You could be asked to sign a section of the school's admission form to indicate that any images (photographic or video) that you take will not be used inappropriately.

- You might be asked to sign a returnable slip on any invitation letters to school events to indicate that any images (photographic or video) you take will not be used inappropriately.
- You could be informed by the school that photography/video recording will only be allowed in designated areas. For example, in the main school hall where the assembly or performance is taking place.

