

DARKROOM SAFETY

USE OF THE DARKROOM

Only use the darkroom if you know how to use it, if you are unsure about anything ask a member of staff. Under 16's can only use the darkroom if accompanied by a parent or guardian.

You must report to a member of staff before and after your printing session.

Report all equipment defects and accidents to a member of staff.

CHEMICALS

You can handle chemicals without any problems, however, for some individuals adverse skin irritation might occur. Some photographic chemicals may inflame skin (DERMATITIS). If you suffer from any type of skin disease, or from allergic conditions such as asthma, you should be particularly careful.

Photographic chemicals will stain and damage your clothing. Staining may not appear straight away, but after the clothing is washed.

USE AN APRON AND PROTECTIVE GLOVES both are available in MPMW's darkroom.

ALWAYS USE TONGS WHEN TRAY DEVELOPING PRINTS

IF CHEMICALS DO COME INTO CONTACT WITH YOUR SKIN OR EYES, WASH IMMEDIATELY WITH PLENTY OF WATER.

- In case of the eyes rinse for at least 10-15 minutes in warm water.
- Medical advice must be sought.
- In the event of skin contact make sure that your hands are washed with a neutral hand cleanser, e.g. Neutrogena.

IF YOU SPILL A CHEMICAL, CLEAN IT UP AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

NEVER SMOKE, TAKE FOOD OR DRINK INTO THE THE DARKROOM

ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT

NEVER TOUCH ANY ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT WITH WET HANDS.

LIGHT TRAP

Stand between the blue dotted lines when viewing your test-strip in the light trap, this will keep you clear of the doors. BOTH LIGHT TRAP DOORS SHOULD BE KEPT CLOSED.

POWER FAILURE

In the event of a power failure the emergency lighting will be activated.

FIRE

In the event of a fire you will hear a continuous bell. Leave the building by the nearest exit - the main front doors - and assemble in the playground at the rear of the school.