

# PARTICIPATING IN FOX CARNIVAL BAND

# AGREEMENT

*Fox Carnival Band is not part of Fox School but is a community group, with each adult participant being responsible for their own health and safety and for that of their children, and they remain responsible for themselves and for their child(ren) throughout the entire event. In order to be covered under Fox Carnival Band's public liability insurance you and your child(ren) and anyone participating with you must register by filling in a registration form and must purchase and wear the Fox Carnival 2008 T-shirt.*

I understand that by taking part in Fox Carnival Band I do so at my own risk. By signing this document I agree to be fully responsible for my own child(ren) and for any child(ren) I am bringing with me and I agree to remain responsible for these children at all times while participating with Fox Carnival Band. I agree to make sure I know where my child is throughout the day and I will make sure my child knows where I am. I understand that any Fox staff taking part are doing so on the same basis as myself i.e. as participants and I fully understand that it is not the role of the Fox staff or the Carnival organisers to look after my child(ren) for me.

Organisers reserve the right to film participants. By participating with Fox Carnival Band I agree to be photographed/filmed by the organisers and I agree to waive all rights I may have to any claims for payment or royalties in connection with any exhibition, streaming, webcasting, televising, or other publication of these materials, regardless of the purpose or sponsoring of such exhibiting, broadcasting, webcasting,. (NB/ no person's name will be published with photographs).

By participating with Fox Carnival Band I agree to take full responsibility for my child's behaviour and agree that I will go through the points below with my child before leaving Fox, so that my child understands the behaviour expected of them:-

- All children under age 8 under your care must wear the identification badge – please make sure you collect badges to attach to your child(ren). Please make sure that all children know that they are part of FOX CARNIVAL BAND and that our end location will be Fox School, Kensington Place, W8 7PP
- We stress the importance of teamwork. Please help where you can with some of the tasks it takes to participate. Everyone should feel welcome and older children should support younger children and those children new to Carnival, and help them to feel secure and happy. We do not accept any form of bullying or name-calling in Fox Carnival Band.
- While at the 'mas camp' in Fox School, children must treat the school with respect. No one should go upstairs in the school under any circumstances, and children must abide by school rules – e.g. no running in corridors, respect for property and furniture, quiet in the playground to respect our neighbours.
- While masquerading, children must hold their pole correctly. It must not be held horizontally and must never be used as a weapon, or to ride on, or to hit /touch other players or anyone in the audience.
- Music at Notting Hill Carnival can be amplified very loudly and can damage hearing. We therefore provide high quality earplugs for everyone participating with us. Before you leave Fox please make sure you take an adequate amount of earplugs for all in your party to wear.
- For safety reasons children must stay inside the tape when masquerading. No one should walk in front of the lorry unless they have been specifically asked to carry the banner
- Everyone should get on and off the lorry only at the designated access point, and when the lorry is stationary. No one must jump off the lorry or climb on the wheels. Participants should sit down and not move around while on the lorry. No items should be thrown from the lorry into the crowd.
- Space on the lorry is limited so everyone should take turns to sit and give up their seat to others. We are entertaining the crowd - people want to see us masquerading and want see our poles being waved, so please encourage your child to limit their time resting on the lorry so that they actively play mas. Spectators will be watching our band and taking our photo – we are entertaining an audience so please smile.
- Please stress the importance of toilet hygiene and ask your child to be responsible for being economic with water and toilet paper and for helping to leave the toilet clean for the next person. Please accompany your child to the toilet and ensure it remains clean.
- Please appreciate that Fox is a children's band - no alcohol should be consumed on the lorry or within the mas band.
- We carry a limited first aid kit. Please avoid blisters by wearing well fitting trainers and avoid dehydration by making sure you and your child(ren) drink lots of water (provided) while participating.
- Please stay with us through to the judging point to help provide an excellent show for the judging panel. We really need your help at Fox with clearing up afterwards so please stay until the very end of the day so you can offer some help – many hands make light work

***Please read the agreement carefully and go through it with everyone in your party, including all children. Please sign it on the reverse and return it to the organisers.***