



Asthma Policy

Aims

- 1. To enable all pupils with asthma to participate fully in all school activities.**
- 2. To work with parents so that they have confidence in the school's ability to care for children with asthma and to share appropriate information.**
- 3. To allow children with asthma to take responsibility for their own medication as far as is appropriate. All inhalers are kept in the medical room.**
- 4. To help everyone connected with the school to be well informed about asthma and to adopt a responsible attitude to its treatment.**

Medication and inhalers

- 1. Each child with asthma should have a National Asthma Campaign School Card, which should be filled in by parents and kept at school in the medical room.**
- 2. It is expected that each child with asthma will have their own inhalers (to be labeled with the child's name and class).**
 - i) We do not accept BROWN, PURPLE, ORANGE, GREEN inhalers in school.**
 - ii) Relief inhalers. These are generally BLUE in colour and are kept in the medical room in an unlocked cupboard. The medical room is easily accessible and central in the school, and the Welfare Assistant or a qualified First Aider is available at all times.**
 - iii) We encourage the use of spacers in the administration of inhalers in school.**
- 3. The Welfare Assistant must be notified immediately of any change in the pattern of the child's use of his or her inhaler.**

We have an accurate asthma register and it is important that the school is informed should there be any change in the child's condition.

- 4. The Welfare Assistant will make regular checks on the various inhalers in school to monitor their use and availability and expiry dates.**
- 5. Each inhaler will be labeled with the child's own name and class and they will be the only ones allowed to touch their own medication.**
- 6. Regular asthma training will be arranged for all staff.**

7. All inhalers will go with children on school trips, and will be administered by a First Aider.

8. In the event of a severe asthma attack, the child's inhaler will be administered as per instructions and an ambulance will be called, then the parents will be notified.

Disclaimer If the parent does not supply the school with the child's in-date inhalers, should there be a problem an ambulance will be called.

Children with exercise-induced asthma will take their inhalers before P.E.

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