

ABBEYS PRIMARY SCHOOL Aim, Aspire & Achieve

Statement of Procedures for the Administering of Medication in School

Parental Request to Administer Medication forms are kept in the main school office.

The form on White paper is to be completed in respect of prescription medication.

The form on **Yellow** paper is to be completed in respect of non-prescription medication, and is valid for an over the counter medication to be administered for up to 48 hours.

Stages of procedure:

- The relevant form is completed by the parent/carer requesting medication to be administered.
- The form is then passed to the Designated Safeguarding Lead (Headteacher, or a Deputy DSL in the absence of the Headteacher) for counter-signature. The form is now 'live'.
- Information from the form is then recorded on the whiteboard in the main office (on the front of the medicine fridge):
 - o Child's name
 - Medication and dosage
 - Time for medication to be administered

This information remains on the whiteboard whilst the medication request remains 'live'. The form is placed in the master file for completion each time medication is given and a copy is kept with the medication.

- BEFORE MEDICATION IS ADMINISTERED, the following checks must be confirmed by the administering adult:
 - o Right child
 - o Right medication (this includes checking the correct medication and dosage)
 - Right time
- The medication can then be administered, and the remaining details on the form completed, before returning the form to the master file.

Medication Error Procedure

In the event of <u>any</u> error in the administration of medication in school, the following procedure must be followed:

- The Designated Safeguarding Lead (Headteacher, or a Deputy DSL in the absence of the Headteacher) must be informed as a matter of urgency. This enables any actions to be taken quickly and accurately for the safety of the child.
- A Medication Error Incident Form must be completed by the adult reporting the error.

All staff responsible for the administering of medication in school have a duty and obligation to follow this guidance. Failure to report an error in medication can result in disciplinary action as a breach of the school's Code of Conduct.

Ad hoc administration of paracetamol during the school day

On some occasions your child may feel unwell in school with complaints such as headache, sore throat or stomach pain. Sometimes these sorts of illnesses can be treated effectively with over the counter medicines such as liquid paracetamol. Written permission will be sought from parents to allow the school to administer paracetamol to your child in these circumstances.

In the event that your child is unwell at school and the school feel that the illness could be treated with paracetamol, even with written permission in place a phone call will be made directly to the parent to ask if permission is given and to find out if any medication had already been given that day.

The medication will then be administered to the pupil by a trained first aider following the recommended dosage for the age of child on the bottle.

Parents will receive a confirmation through medical tracker that medicine has been given noting at what time and the exact dosage.



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Request for School Personnel to Administer Medicine / Inhaler

Name of Child	Class	_
Section for Medicines:		
Name of Medication	To be stored in fridge	e YES/NO Reason
for Medication		Time to be
administered	Dosage	No. of Days to
be taken	_ To be taken home daily YES/NO	
Additional Information		
Section for Inhalers:		
Please attach a copy of your chil	d's asthma care plan.	
Name of Inhaler	Expiry Date Brown	Blue /
	Expiry Date	
Blue / Brown		
Time to be administered	Dosage	
Additional Information		
Name of Parent/Carer	Date	
Signature of Parent/Carer		
ADMIN USE ONLY		
Authorised by Headteacher:	Date	
Medicine / Inhaler held @ School Office	/ Classroom / Other	



Abbeys Primary School - Medication Error Incident Form

Name of child involved :			
Class:			
Date of incident :	_ Time of incident :		
Reporting to Headteacher/Deputy Designated Safeguarding Lead			
Date incident reported:	Time incident reported :		
Adult reporting the incident :			
Details of the incident: (include what happened and accounts of all involved, as appropriate)			
Signed: Adult reporting the incident			
Headteacher/Deputy Designated Safeguardin			
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Date:			
Actions taken :			
Parent/Carer informed - by telephone	/ in person		
LADO informed - Yes/No File Note completed - Yes/No			
 File Note completed - Yes/No 			
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