

# FIRST AID AND MEDICAL PROCEDURES AT PIX BROOK ACADEMY

YOUR CHILD'S HEALTH AND SAFETY IS EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO US AND IT IS ESSENTIAL THAT PARENTS/CARERS AND THE SCHOOL WORK TOGETHER TO ACHIEVE THE BEST POSSIBLE OUTCOMES

#### **MEDICAL CONDITIONS**

It is important that Pix Brook Academy is aware of any medical conditions that may affect your child during the school day. This may include information on allergies such as Anaphylaxis or Asthma or medical conditions such as Epilepsy. In the case of a serious condition, a Health Care Plan must be completed and reviewed annually.

If your child has a food allergy, this must be backed up with a letter from either their GP or hospital unless it is for religious reasons.

Please ensure that all relevant medical forms are completed and any relevant information is handed in to the school office.

Appendix A- Health Care Plan

## **INFECTIONS IN SCHOOL**

Infections in school children are common. However, not all infectious diseases are contagious.

If you discover that your child has an infectious disease (such as Chicken Pox) please inform the school immediately, especially in the case of an illness which may affect other children. Please keep your child away from school until they are clear of infection and check with your GP when your child is fit to return to school.

If your child has Sickness and Diarrhoea they may return to school 24 hours after the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea.

Head lice is a recurring problem in the classroom. Please ensure you check your child regularly and treat as necessary.

#### **FIRST AID**

From time to time, minor incidents such as cuts and abrasions will occur. The staff at the school will deal with these by washing the cut with water and if necessary applying a plaster. Please ensure you advise us if your child is allergic to plasters. Parents/carers are expected to check under the plaster when the child returns home from school.

In the case of a child becoming unwell at school, parents/carers will be contacted. You will be notified if your child has any fall involving a knock to the head. Please ensure that the emergency contact details held at the school are up to date.

#### **ADMINSTRATION OF MEDICINES**

Should your child require medication such as a course of antibiotics during the school day, you are required to complete the school's medication form before we are able to administer them.

You are also responsible for dropping off and collecting the said medicines to the school office each day as required. All medicines should be in the original packaging, in date and labelled by the pharmacist with your child's name and dosage details.

Prescribed medication will only be administered in school time at the Principal's discretion. Where a dose is required three/four times a day this should be encouraged to be given outside of school hours if the child is well enough to be in school.

Under no circumstances will un-prescribed oral medicine or tablets be administered by the school staff.

Children are not permitted to keep medication in their own possession.

Appendix B - Medication Form

### **ASTHMA AND INHALERS**

Where children require medication for asthma and/or have a prescribed inhaler you are required to complete the <u>medication form</u> detailing all relevant information that may affect your child while at school (i.e. triggers, dose, able to self-administer etc.)

Children are allowed to carry their inhalers on them but we ask for a spare inhaler to be kept in the First Aid cabinet at all times.

## **MEDICAL APPOINTMENTS**

Where possible please make medical appointments out of school hours or during the holidays. We understand that this is not always possible but appointments during school time causes disruption to learning, the class and school. In the case of an appointment in school hours, please provide a copy of the appointment card/letter to the school office prior to the appointment.