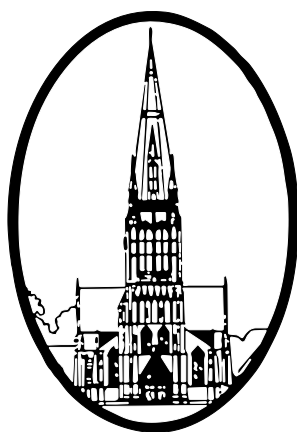


St. Mary's C. of E. Primary School

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Medicine Policy

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Mission Statement and Values

“Through God’s love, we strive to be the best we can be.”

St Mary’s is an inspiring and creative school which fosters a love of learning as well as developing skills for life. We strive to enhance every child’s moral, spiritual, intellectual, social and physical well-being and celebrate every child’s gifts.

As a faith school we hold **love** at the centre of all we do. This and the following values reflect the ethos of our school.

Respect – ourselves, each other and our environment

Courage – to stand up for what is right, overcome our fears and embrace new challenges

Truth – in the choices we make and our dealings with family, friends, school and community

ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION

Pupils may not bring prescribed or non-prescribed medication into school.

Parents may visit the school in the lunch break to bring and administer prescribed or non-prescribed medication themselves, by prior arrangement.

Short term medication that needs to be taken in the school day*
For example; eye drops, nasal spray

In the event that it is not possible for parents to come into school to administer medication, they are asked to provide written consent to authorise the self-administration (under supervision) of medication. Parents must use a copy of the authorisation form overleaf which is located in the school office. Each case will be assessed individually and it will be at the school’s discretion whether medicines are administered with the support of staff. This medication will be stored securely in the medical room or for pupils in the EYFS, in a locked cupboard in their classroom.

Long term prescribed medication that needs to be taken in the school day*
For example; paracetamol for pain relief (child with sickle cell)

Where children have long term medical needs, parents must give us details of the child’s condition and medication on the authorisation form overleaf. If required a meeting with the school nurse may be organised to complete a care plan with parents and staff. Parents will bring the medication to school

in a secure, sealed bag / box. This record will be kept with the medicine. This medication will be stored securely in the medical room or for pupils in the EYFS, in a locked cupboard in their classroom.

Emergency medication

For example; asthma pumps and Epi pens

Asthma pumps will be stored in the medical room and must be clearly labelled on the pump (not the box) with the child's name and year group. Parents are responsible for ensuring the pumps are up to date and regularly replenished.

Epi pens will be stored in the medical room and must be kept in a sealed box / bag with the child's name, his/her photograph.

As with all medicines brought to school, the authorisation form overleaf must be completed by the parent, a copy must be kept with the medication and one in the child's file.

*as prescribed by doctor to be taken at a specific time during the school day or needs to be taken frequently (more than 3 times per day)

