

# **Nursery and Pre-Prep Medical Policies**

These guidelines outline the school's approach to medication administration and common health matters. Parents must complete a medical form for each child, confirming they have read and agree to these policies.

The school's medical provision is overseen by the School Nurses, Jenny Sinclair and Sarah Davidson.

## **Medication**

If your child requires medication during the school day, please inform both the Class Teacher and School Nurse.

- Medication must be provided by a parent/carer in its original packaging and clearly labelled with the child's name and dosage instructions.
- A medication consent form must be completed, this can be accessed via the iSAMS Parent App, before medication can be administered.
- All medication is administered and recorded by appropriately trained staff.
- Children will never be forced to take medication. If a child refuses medication, parents will be informed.

Please notify the School Nurse of any medication given before school, particularly paracetamol. Aspirin will not be given to children under 12 years of age. Ibuprofen must be supplied by parents and should not be given to children with asthma unless authorised by a healthcare professional.

## **Paracetamol**

Nursery parents should provide two age-appropriate sachets of paracetamol, labelled with the child's name and expiry date.

Paracetamol will only be administered with parental consent. Wherever possible, parents will be contacted before administration and will always be informed afterwards.

## **Storage of Medication**

All medication is stored securely. Emergency medications, including asthma inhalers and adrenaline auto-injectors, remain readily accessible. Medication requiring refrigeration will be stored appropriately.

## **Illness and Exclusion from School**

### **Vomiting and Diarrhoea**

Children must remain off school until 48 hours after their last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea and parent/guardians asked to collect if they have an episode in school.

### **Fever**

Children with a temperature of 38°C or above should remain at home until they are fever-free and well enough to return to school.

### **Head Lice**

Parents are encouraged to check their child's hair regularly using the wet-combing method and treat any infestation promptly. Please ensure long hair is tied back in accordance with the school handbook.

### **Head Injuries**

Any child sustaining a head injury will be assessed by staff and, where necessary, by the School Nurse. Further management will follow the school's Concussion Guidance.

For any questions regarding your child's health or medication, please contact the School Nurse ([nurse@cargilfield.com](mailto:nurse@cargilfield.com)).