



The Commons N.S.

Medical Policy

Your child's health and safety is of prime concern to us and it is essential that parents and teachers work together for the good of the child in this regard.

Medical Information

It is important that the school is aware of any medical condition that may affect your child during the school day. This may include information on allergies, eyesight etc. Please fill in the relevant space in the Medical Information Form and Permission Slip on the 'Application for Enrolment' form. If there is no such condition, please write 'NONE'.

If a child has a medical problem, their parents/guardians will receive a copy of the Medical Policy.

In the case of a child becoming ill at school, parents/ guardians will be contacted. You will be notified if your child has any fall involving a bang on the head. Please make sure you have filled out and sent an Emergency Contact Information Form to the school.

Infection in School

Infections in school children are common. However, not all infectious diseases are contagious. In the case of contagious diseases (chicken pox, infective hepatitis, measles, mumps, rubella (German measles), scarlet fever, glandular fever, conjunctivitis, whooping cough, impetigo, ringworm, head-lice, scabies) all parents/ guardians will be informed by letter. If you discover that your child has an infectious disease 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 he/ she is clear of infection and check with your GP when your child is fit to return to school.

First Aid

From time to time minor incidents such as cuts and abrasions etc. will occur. The staff at the school will deal with these by washing the cut with water/disinfectant and if necessary applying a plaster. Parents

are expected to check under the plaster when the child returns home from school.

Please complete the Permission Slip for basic First Aid to be administered to your child. If for any reason you do not want us to treat cuts etc, please state this clearly on the form. You will then be contacted at home or work if your child needs attention.

Emergency Procedure

Where a child has a fall/ cut which is considered serious, an ambulance will be called.

Where a child has a fall/ cut which requires medical attention, and where it is safe to move the child, the parents/ guardians will be contacted. Failing that, the child will be taken to the hospital as soon as possible by a member of Staff. Staff in the school will continue to try and make contact with the parents/ guardians.

Reporting Accidents in the School

Minor cuts and abrasions will be treated as outlined under 'First Aid'. It is expected that parents check plasters that the child may be wearing on returning home from school. General incidents will be reported to the class teacher. Incidents of a more serious nature will be recorded in the incident book. An accident report form will be filed where medical intervention is required. Where a child receives a blow to the head, parents will be notified. Staff should keep a record of how/ when this notification is carried out.



Signed _____ Date:

Chairperson, Board of Management

Signed _____ Date:

Principal/Secretary to the Board of Management