HINTON ST GEORGE

CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Let Your Light Shine'

Medical Matters

Reviewed: June 2026

Frequency of Review: Every two years

Next Review Date: June 2028

Signed:- _____ Date _____

on behalf of Governing Body

Medicines:

Children must not carry medicines with them. Inhalers and EpiPens are stored in classrooms and are easily accessible. Children are observed by an adult when using their inhaler and the adult will record that this has been administered.

Medicines can be administered during the school day. These can be those prescribed by a doctor or over the counter medicines such as Calpol. Parents must submit a written permission slip (obtainable from the school office) before any medicine is administered (please see the school's Managing Medicines Policy). Please also see Supporting Pupils at School with Medical Conditions for guidance on how medical conditions are supported at Hinton St George Primary School.

Paediatric First Aid and First Aid Certificates are held by many members of staff who are able to administer basic medical treatment.

Cream and Sun Cream:

Creams prescribed by a doctor can be applied by a member of staff provided parents have given written confirmation that they are happy for a member of the school staff to apply the cream. Hinton St George Primary School promote the self-administration of sunscreen by pupils, and this will be carried out under adult supervision. In circumstances where a child is unable to self-administer sunscreen this can be applied by a member of staff provided written consent is provided by the parents.

Sickness:

Please do not send your child back to school within 48 hours of them having had diarrhoea or sickness. This is a Department of Health policy as outlined in 'Guidance on infection control in schools and nurseries'. To prevent the spread of infection we will send any child home who returns to school within 48 hours of having had diarrhoea or sickness, in-line with the Health Protection Agency guidance.

Head Lice:

Outbreaks of Head lice can be easily eradicated by regular checking and treating where necessary. They are spread by close contact, so we advise children with long hair to tie it back.

Illness – At school:

If your child becomes ill at school, we will use the phone numbers you have given us to contact someone who can take your child home. Parents should keep the school informed of any changes to telephone numbers and emergency contacts. In cases of serious illness or accident we will act in loco parentis to seek urgent medical aid and will contact you as soon as possible

Illness – At home:

Please do not send your child to school if he or she is unwell. Please inform the school if they will be absent.

Injuries

Accidents to pupils are dealt with quickly and sensitively by staff who hold a First Aid Certificate. Details are recorded and sent home, when deemed appropriate, parents are contacted during the school day.