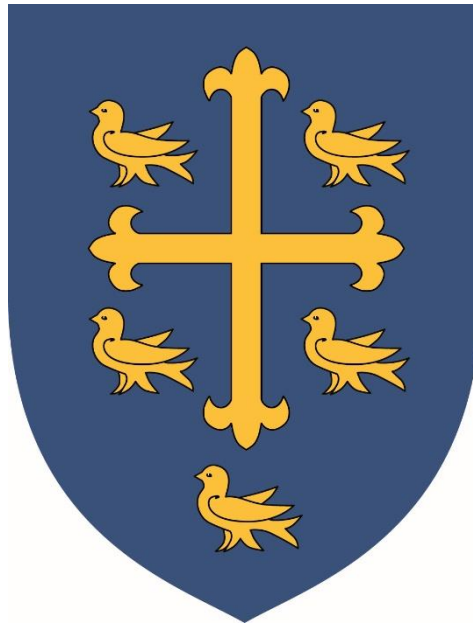


St. Edward's Catholic Primary School



Asthma Policy 2025/26

'Jesus is at the heart of all that we do'

At St. Edward's, we are committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of the children and adults in our school, and we have the same expectation of our staff and volunteers.

Policy agreed/Signed by: _____
(Mr K Connolly – Chair of Governors)

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SAINT EDWARD'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
ASTHMA POLICY 2025

Saint Edward's Catholic Primary School welcomes pupils with asthma and recognises their needs.

It expects and encourages parents/carers to give appropriate information to the school regarding their child's asthma and to provide a prescribed inhaler and spacer device (if required).

It recognises that pupils need to have immediate access to their reliever inhaler.

Will encourage and help children who have asthma to participate fully in all aspects of school life.

1. ON ADMISSION TO SCHOOL

All parents/carers will be asked to complete an admission form giving full details of their child's asthma, regular medication, emergency contact numbers, family G.P and any relevant hospital details.

Every child with an asthma diagnosis must have a blue reliever inhaler available in school and a spacer device if this is normally used.

2. STORAGE AND DISPOSAL OF MEDICATION

All inhaler devices need to be clearly labelled with the child's name.

Key Stage 1

Inhalers will be kept in the classroom under the supervision of the class teacher.

Inhalers should be easily accessible to the child.

Key Stage 2

If there are concerns about the child's technique they should be referred to the school nurse.

A spare inhaler clearly labelled with the child's name needs to be kept centrally in school.

Most children will not need to use their blue inhaler on a daily basis, therefore, if the child has experienced symptoms and has needed to use their inhaler, parents/carers will be informed.

Parents/carers will always be informed if their child has an asthma attack.

If pupils leave the premises for any activity they must have their reliever inhalers with them.

Parents/carers need to check all reliever inhalers/spacer devices termly or regularly, confirming that the inhalers are in date and full of medication.

Two spare Ventolin Inhalers have been purchased for the school, NOT to be used for children who have not been given a diagnosis of asthma by their doctor.

3. EXERCISE AND ACTIVITY

Pupils with asthma are encouraged to participate in P.E lessons.

Some pupils with asthma may need to use their reliever inhaler before exercising.

Reliever inhalers must be readily available at all times.

4. ASTHMA ATTACK

It is important that all staff know how to deal with a child experiencing an asthma attack.

In the event of an asthma attack school staff should follow the procedure outlined in the 'Asthma Attack Flowchart' (see Appendix 1). This flowchart should be visibly displayed in the staffroom/First Aid areas/P.E hall.

5. TRAINING

All staff should access asthma awareness training and receive updates regularly so that they recognise and know how to deal with a child having an asthma attack, when and how to call an ambulance and what to do whilst waiting for the ambulance to arrive.

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