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Asthma Care Plans/Emergency inhaler

Dear Parents/Carers,

As part of our care for our children, we now have to have Care Plans in place for our children who are diagnosed as Asthmatic. Therefore we will be sending out Care plans for each child on our Asthma register, for parents to complete with the details regarding medication as this needs to be updated annually. We would appreciate it if you could send the Care plans back into school, when completed and signed. **If we do not receive the Care Plans back, then we will remove your child from the Asthma register.** We are aware that this will be the case for children who may not require this treatment any longer. If you do not receive a Care Plan and your child is Asthmatic please inform us immediately.

Children who are Asthmatic must make sure that they have their inhaler in school at all times. Foundation Stage and KS1 children must give their inhaler and spacers to the class teacher, so that it can be stored appropriately. KS2 children must keep their inhaler accessible and make sure that their class teacher is aware if they have needed to take their inhaler during the day, so that parents can be informed appropriately. Please ensure that all inhalers are in date.

As part of our care for children who are diagnosed as Asthmatic, we are now allowed to keep an "emergency inhaler" in school. Therefore we would ask you to complete the attached documentation to confirm that you are happy for your child to use the school emergency inhaler, if their own inhaler is not available.

Please can you return the letters to school **by Friday 22nd September.**

We would ask parents of any children in school to make sure that we are up to date with any of their medical conditions and if your child has recently been diagnosed as having Asthma, please notify us so that they can be recorded onto our Asthma register. In addition if your child no longer suffers from Asthma, please inform the school so our records can be updated.

Yours sincerely

Mrs M. Goodall
Assistant Headteacher

Mrs C. Burrows
KS1 Manager

Mrs J. Russell
KS2 Manager



School Asthma Care Plan

Name:

D.O.B:

School:

<u>Identified Need</u>	<u>Action Plan</u>	<u>Step 1</u>	<u>Date:</u>
<p><i>To promote Optimum health by maintaining good control of Asthma symptoms.</i></p>	<p><i>School staff are able to identify when reliever inhaler is needed.</i></p>	<p><i>Staff Training completed</i></p>	
	<p><i>Consent for medication in school(Including school emergency salbutamol if available)</i></p>	<p><u>Step 2</u> <i>To ensure appropriate consent forms are signed.</i></p>	<p><i>Consent form sent to parents</i></p>
	<p><i>Easy access to inhalers whilst in school</i></p>	<p><u>Step 3</u> <i>Parents to supply inhaler and spacer.</i></p>	
		<p><u>Step 4</u> <i>Parents to check expiry dates and change accordingly.</i></p>	<p><i>Inhaler expiry date:</i></p>
	<p><i>To monitor and record inhaler use</i></p>	<p><u>Step 5</u> <i>School staff should complete audit form and inform parent when reliever inhaler used during school day</i></p>	

Triggers (if known)

Signatures: _____
 Parent/carer School staff School Nurse Date_____

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Asthma Care Plan and Medication: Consent

If your child has been diagnosed with asthma and/or has been prescribed reliever therapy (Blue inhaler) please complete the first part of this form which gives your consent for school staff to give this if required.

In the event of my child displaying symptoms of asthma or prior to PE (if required), I consent for my child to receive their own reliever inhaler. If my child has asthma symptoms and their own inhaler is not available or is unusable, I consent for my child to receive salbutamol from an emergency inhaler if this is available in school

Name of child:

Date of birth:

School:

Name of Inhaler:..... Number of Puffs:

Signed Parent/Guardian_____ **Date**_____

Parent's Contact Number:

If your child has an asthma attack the schools emergency procedure will be followed.

A copy of your child's school asthma care plan will be sent to you.

Please ensure that your child has a **SPARE reliever inhaler** and **spacer** kept in school and that your child's inhaler is within its **expiry date**.

N.B:

If your child experiences breathing problems, especially at night or after exercise, or when laughing or crying, or he/she suffers from repeated chest infections please contact your School Nurse