



Foremarke Hall

Repton Preparatory School

Policy Statement

Medical Policy

Introduction: Purpose and Aims

At Foremarke Hall we have a Medical Centre situated on the road into school, near the Tom Davies building. The medical Team consists of two nurses and a medical assistant. They are responsible for any medical care or first aid that your child may require during the school day. A GP from Willington Surgery holds a once weekly morning surgery for boarding pupils who are registered with the practice.

There is a qualified nurse on duty in the Medical Centre from 08.00am to 6.00pm (Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri), until 5.00pm on Wednesdays and 4.00pm on Saturdays. The nurse is available to administer first aid, to deal with any accidents or emergencies, or if someone is taken ill.

In the event of the school Nurse being off duty or off site, there are several delegated first aiders who take responsibility and deal with any accidents or emergencies.

Medical Care

All our full boarders are registered with Willington surgery and their associated General Practitioners. Please send your son or daughter's National Health Service Medical card to The Medical Centre, together with the completed questionnaire enclosed with this document. Overseas boarders without an NHS number will be allocated one upon their GP registration being completed.

Although your son or daughter normally receives medical care from your family GP practice, the Nursing staff will hold additional medical information on all pupils in order to ensure that we can provide appropriately for their needs, or look after them if they are injured or have an accident.

Medical Examinations and Immunisations

During their first term, all new boarding pupils in the Prep School will receive a medical examination from the School Nurse as well as from the school doctor.

Your consent will be sought from time to time to your child receiving the routine range of immunisations recommended by the Department of Health for all children of his or her age, although the majority of routine immunisations will be administered by your own GP.

We also offer boarding pupils who have chronic medical conditions, such as asthma, annual immunisation against flu, subject to your consent.

Medical Records

We keep electronic records of all treatment and immunisations that your child receives during his or her time at the school. We also record all accidents and injuries to your child. Access to these records is restricted to the Medical Staff.

All medical records will be archived until the child reaches the age of 25.

If your child becomes unwell

We will always contact you if your child suffers anything more than a trivial injury, if he or she becomes unwell during school day, or if we have any worries or concerns about his or her health. We will ask you to collect your child if he or she becomes ill during the school day. Boarders will be cared for in the medical centre and will return to their boarding house when

they have recovered.

In the case of your child suffering with Diarrhoea and/or vomiting it is recommended that they do not attend school for 48 hours after the last episode. Please phone the medical centre for further advice if you are unsure.

Emergency Medical Treatment

In accepting a place at the school, we require parents to authorise the Headmaster, and therefore school staff acting on his behalf, to consent (on the advice of an appropriately qualified medical specialist) to your child receiving emergency medical treatment, including general anaesthetic and surgical procedure under the NHS, if we are unable to contact you in time. All reasonable attempts to contact parents or guardians will be made.

Medicines and Treatment brought to School by Pupils

Any medication that is brought into school must be handed into the school nurse by a Parent/carer. The medication should be handed in, in its original packaging, with relevant instructions for administration.

If your son/daughter has a medical condition which necessitates regular access to medication, please inform the Nursing Staff, so that an appropriate regime can be devised. Any Pupils who suffer from a chronic condition will be highlighted on the school software system to ensure that all staff have access to relevant medical information.

Medical Questionnaire

Parents of new pupils are requested to complete and return a medical questionnaire to The School Medical Centre before the pupil starts at the School.

Review

Last reviewed Summer 2016

Next Review Summer 2017