



STREATHAM & CLAPHAM PREP SCHOOL

SICK CHILD POLICY

Person(s) responsible for this policy		Nurse, Head of EYFS	
Last review by	A Bullock H Loach	Review date	July 2023
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Named Persons: Sophie Dowler

School Nurse: Nurse Carin Bearman

Full Paediatric First Aider: Rebecca Francis, Barbara Gordon, Karen Parker, Sophie Dowler, Helen Loach, Marie James, Sarah Mckee, Jane Hayes, Natalie Julian (mat leave)

The procedures detailed below shall be outlined at the parents' welcome meeting.

If a child becomes unwell whilst at school:

- Take the child's temperature
- Assess for other signs and symptoms
- Phone the parents, explain their child is unwell, let them know the symptoms and ask them to collect their child.
- One member of staff to sit with the child in a quiet place away from other children, if possible, until the parents arrive.
- If the child has had sickness or diarrhoea explain to the parents, the NHS Health Protection Agency policy of a 48-hour absence of either symptom before the child may return.

In an emergency:

- Dial 999 for an ambulance to the school.
- One member of staff, school nurse or a First Aider, to stay with child.
- Other staff to keep other children away from the sick or injured child.
- The named person in charge to phone parents and calmly explain the situation and ask them to come to the school or to go straight to the receiving hospital as directed by ambulance crew.
- If the child needs to go to hospital take the child's information sheet to the hospital (kept in the nursery office in file).
- Ask ambulance crew which hospital the child will be taken to.
- If unable to contact the parents, the named person is to go with the child.
- School staff to continue trying to contact parents to inform them of the situation and let them know where their child has been taken.
- In all cases where an ambulance is called, the Head of Prep should be informed at the Prep School and, in all cases, the Head. In the Head's absence, the Senior Deputy Head or DFO should be informed.