

# Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions Policy

## St Luke's Primary School



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### 1. Aims

This policy aims to ensure that:

- Pupils, staff and parents understand how our school will support pupils with medical conditions
- Pupils with medical conditions are properly supported to allow them to access the same education as other pupils, including school trips and sporting activities

The governing board will implement this policy by:

- Making sure sufficient staff are suitably trained
- Making staff aware of pupil's condition, where appropriate
- Making sure there are cover arrangements to ensure someone is always available to support pupils with medical conditions
- Providing supply teachers with appropriate information about the policy and relevant pupils
- Developing and monitoring individual healthcare plans (IHPs)

**The named person with responsibility for making sure that this policy is implemented is the Executive Headteacher**

### 2. Legislation and statutory responsibilities

This policy meets the requirements under [Section 100 of the Children and Families Act 2014](#), which places a duty on governing boards to make arrangements for supporting pupils at their school with medical conditions.

It is also based on the Department for Education's statutory guidance: [Supporting pupils at school with medical conditions](#).

### 3. Roles and responsibilities

#### 3.1 The governing board

The governing board has ultimate responsibility to make arrangements to support pupils with medical conditions. The governing board will ensure that sufficient staff have received suitable training and are competent before they are responsible for supporting children with medical conditions.

### **3.2 The Executive Headteacher**

The Executive Headteacher will:

- Make sure all staff are aware of this policy and understand their role in its implementation
- Ensure that there is a sufficient number of trained staff available to implement this policy and deliver against all individual healthcare plans (IHPs), including in contingency and emergency situations
- Take overall responsibility for ensuring the development of IHPs
- Make sure that school staff are appropriately insured and aware that they are insured to support pupils in this way
- Ensure that systems are in place for obtaining information about a child's medical needs and that this information is kept up to date

### **3.3 Staff**

Supporting pupils with medical conditions during school hours is not the sole responsibility of one person. Any member of staff may be asked to provide support to pupils with medical conditions, although they will not be required to do so. This includes the administration of medicines.

Those staff who take on the responsibility to support pupils with medical conditions will receive sufficient and suitable training and will achieve the necessary level of competency before doing so.

Teachers will take into account the needs of pupils with medical conditions that they teach. All staff will know what to do and respond accordingly when they become aware that a pupil with a medical condition needs help.

The First Aid Lead will contact the school nursing service in the case of any pupil who has a medical condition that may require support at school, but who has not yet been brought to the attention of the school nurse

The First Aid Lead will reach out to others, such as parents and healthcare professionals, for advice and guidance on how to support our pupils

### **3.4 Parents**

Parents will:

- Provide the school with sufficient and up-to-date information about their child's medical needs
- Be involved in the development and review of their child's IHP and may be involved in its drafting
- Carry out any action they have agreed to as part of the implementation of the IHP e.g. provide medicines and equipment

### **3.5 Pupils**

Pupils with medical conditions will often be best placed to provide information about how their condition affects them. Pupils should be fully involved in discussions about their medical support needs and contribute as much as possible to the development of their IHPs. They are also expected to comply with their IHPs.

### **3.6 School nurses and other healthcare professionals**

Our school nursing service will notify the school when a pupil has been identified as having a medical condition that will require support in school. This will be before the pupil starts school, wherever possible.

Healthcare professionals, such as GPs and pediatricians, will liaise with the school nurse and notify them of any pupils identified as having a medical condition.

## **4. Equal opportunities**

Our school is clear about the need to actively support pupils with medical conditions to participate in school trips and visits, or in sporting activities, and not prevent them from doing so.

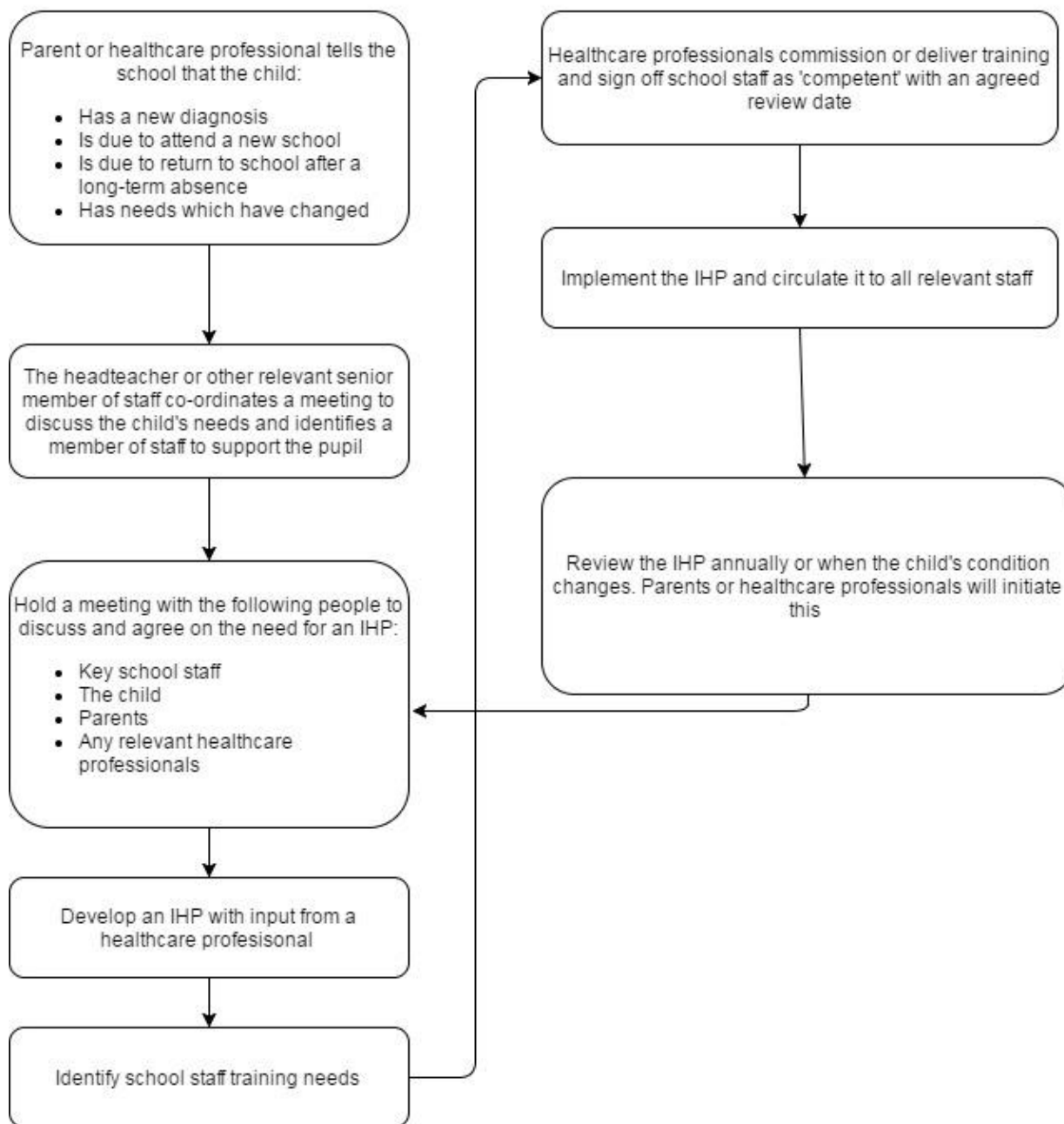
The school will consider what reasonable adjustments need to be made to enable these pupils to participate fully and safely on school trips, visits and sporting activities.

Risk assessments will be carried out so that planning arrangements take account of any steps needed to ensure that pupils with medical conditions are included. In doing so, pupils, their parents and any relevant healthcare professionals will be consulted.

### 5. Being notified that a child has a medical condition

When the school is notified that a pupil has a medical condition, the process outlined below will be followed to decide whether the pupil requires an IHP.

The school will make every effort to ensure that arrangements are put into place within 2 weeks, or by the beginning of the relevant term for pupils who are new to our school.



### 6. Individual healthcare plans

Although the Executive Headteacher has overall responsibility for ensuring the development of IHPs for pupils with medical conditions, this has been delegated to the First Aid Lead and SENCO. They will seek out the input of others as required.

Plans will be reviewed at least annually, or earlier if there is evidence that the pupil's needs have changed.

Plans will be developed with the pupil's best interests in mind and will set out:

- What needs to be done
- When
- By whom

Not all pupils with a medical condition will require an IHP. It will be agreed with a healthcare professional and the parents when an IHP would be inappropriate or disproportionate. This will be based on evidence. If there is not a consensus, either the Executive Headteacher or Head of School will make the final decision.

Plans will be drawn up in partnership with the school, parents and a relevant healthcare professional, such as the school nurse, specialist or pediatrician, who can best advise on the pupil's specific needs. The pupil will be involved wherever appropriate.

IHPs will be linked to, or become part of, any statement of special educational needs (SEN) or education, health and care (EHC) plan. If a pupil has SEN but does not have a statement or EHC plan, the SEN will be mentioned in the IHP.

The level of detail in the plan will depend on the complexity of the child's condition and how much support is needed. The First Aid Lead and SENCO in conjunction with the Executive Headteacher, the Head of School, School Nurse and parents, as appropriate, will consider the following when deciding what information to record on IHPs:

- The medical condition, its triggers, signs, symptoms and treatments
- The pupil's resulting needs, including medication (dose, side effects and storage) and other treatments, time, facilities, equipment, testing, access to food and drink where this is used to manage their condition, dietary requirements and environmental issues, e.g. crowded corridors, travel time between lessons
- Specific support for the pupil's educational, social and emotional needs. For example, how absences will be managed, requirements for extra time to complete exams, use of rest periods or additional support in catching up with lessons, counselling sessions
- The level of support needed, including in emergencies. If a pupil is self-managing their medication, this will be clearly stated with appropriate arrangements for monitoring
- Who will provide this support, their training needs, expectations of their role and confirmation of proficiency to provide support for the pupil's medical condition from a healthcare professional, and cover arrangements for when they are unavailable
- Who in the school needs to be aware of the pupil's condition and the support required
- Arrangements for written permission from parents and the Lead First Aider acting on behalf of the headteacher for medication to be administered by a member of staff, or self-administered by the pupil during school hours
- Separate arrangements or procedures required for school trips or other school activities outside of the normal school timetable that will ensure the pupil can participate, e.g. risk assessments
- Where confidentiality issues are raised by the parent/pupil, the designated individuals to be entrusted with information about the pupil's condition
- What to do in an emergency, including who to contact, and contingency arrangements

## 7. Managing medicines

At St. Luke's we recognize that there are two types of medicines that may need to be used in school:

1. Medicines that are not available over the counter; these must clearly show that they have been prescribed by a doctor and the school will require parental consent to administer it to the child;
2. Medicines that are available over the counter in shops or chemists – and for these to be given to a child, the parents must provide parental consent.

We will hold some prescription medicines in school to be administered in the event of an emergency when it would be detrimental to the pupil's health or school attendance not to do so however we will have sought parental consent in advance in case that eventuality arises e.g. inhalers or adrenalin pens.

**The only exception to this is where the medicine has been prescribed to the pupil without the knowledge of the parents.**

Pupils under 16 will not be given medicine containing aspirin unless prescribed by a doctor.

Anyone giving a pupil any medication (for example, for pain relief) will first check maximum dosages and when the previous dosage was taken. Parents will always be informed.

The school will only accept medicines that are:

- In-date
- Labelled if a prescribed medicine
- Provided in the original container, as dispensed by the pharmacist/shop, and include instructions for administration, dosage and storage

The school will accept insulin that is inside an insulin pen or pump rather than its original container, but it must be in date.

All medicines will be stored safely. Pupils will be informed about where their medicines are at all times and be able to access them immediately. Medicines and devices such as asthma inhalers, blood glucose testing meters and adrenaline pens will always be readily available to pupils and not locked away.

Medicines will be returned to parents to arrange for safe disposal when no longer required.

## 7.1 Controlled drugs

[Controlled drugs](#) are prescription medicines that are controlled under the [Misuse of Drugs Regulations 2001](#) and subsequent amendments, such as morphine or methadone.

A pupil who has been prescribed a controlled drug may have it in their possession if they are competent to do so, but they must not pass it to another pupil to use. All other controlled drugs are kept in a secure cupboard in the First Aid Room and only named staff have access.

Controlled drugs will be easily accessible in an emergency and a record of any doses used and the amount held will be kept.

## 7.2 Pupils managing their own needs

Pupils who are competent will be encouraged to take responsibility for managing their own medicines and procedures. This will be discussed with parents and it will be reflected in their IHPs. In such situations pupils will be expected to ensure that the member of staff updating the medication book is present when they are administering their medicine.

Pupils will be allowed to carry their own medicines and relevant devices wherever possible. Staff will not force a pupil to take a medicine or carry out a necessary procedure if they refuse, but will follow the procedure agreed in the IHP and inform parents so that an alternative option can be considered, if necessary.

## 7.3 Unacceptable practice

School staff should use their discretion and judge each case individually with reference to the pupil's IHP, but it is generally not acceptable to:

- Prevent pupils from easily accessing their inhalers and medication, and administering their medication when and where necessary
- Assume that every pupil with the same condition requires the same treatment
- Ignore the views of the pupil or their parents
- Ignore medical evidence or opinion (although this may be challenged)
- Send children with medical conditions home frequently for reasons associated with their medical condition or prevent them from staying for normal school activities, including lunch, unless this is specified in their IHPs
- If the pupil becomes ill, send them to the school office or medical room unaccompanied or with someone unsuitable
- Penalise pupils for their attendance record if their absences are related to their medical condition, e.g. hospital appointments
- Prevent pupils from drinking, eating or taking toilet or other breaks whenever they need to in order to manage their medical condition effectively
- Require parents, or otherwise make them feel obliged, to attend school to administer medication or provide medical support to their pupil, including with toileting issues. No parent should have to give up working because the school is failing to support their child's medical needs
- Prevent pupils from participating, or create unnecessary barriers to pupils participating in any aspect of school life, including school trips, e.g. by requiring parents to accompany their child
- Administer, or ask pupils to administer, medicine in school toilets

## **8. Emergency procedures**

Staff will follow the school's normal emergency procedures (for example, calling 999). All pupils' IHPs will clearly set out what constitutes an emergency and will explain what to do.

If a pupil needs to be taken to hospital, staff will stay with the pupil until the parent arrives or accompany the pupil to hospital by ambulance.

## **9. Training**

Staff who are responsible for supporting pupils with medical needs will receive suitable and sufficient training to do so.

The training will be identified during the development or review of IHPs. Staff who provide support to pupils with medical conditions will be included in meetings where this is discussed.

The relevant healthcare professionals will lead on identifying the type and level of training required and will agree this with the Executive Head Teacher or Head of School. Training will be kept up to date.

Training will:

- Be sufficient to ensure that staff are competent and have confidence in their ability to support the pupils
- Fulfill the requirements in the IHPs
- Help staff to have an understanding of the specific medical conditions they are being asked to deal with, their implications and preventative measures

Healthcare professionals will provide confirmation of the proficiency of staff in a medical procedure, or in providing medication.

All staff will receive training so that they are aware of this policy and understand their role in implementing it, for example, with preventative and emergency measures so they can recognise and act quickly when a problem occurs. This will be provided for new staff during their induction.

## **10. Record keeping**

The governing board will ensure that written records are kept of all medicine administered to pupils. Parents will be informed if their pupil has been unwell at school.

IHPs are kept in a readily accessible place which all staff are aware of.

A copy of an Administration of Medication Form is attached in Appendix 1.

## **11. Liability and indemnity**

The governing board will ensure that the appropriate level of insurance is in place and appropriately reflects the school's level of risk.

The school's Employers Liability Insurance Policy is facilitated by LBTH and is currently with Protector Insurance, policy number 529067.

## **12. Complaints**

Parents with a complaint about their child's medical condition should discuss these directly with the Head of School or SENCO in the first instance and the Executive Headteacher in the second instance. If the matter remains unresolved, they will direct parents to the school's complaints procedure.

## **13. Monitoring arrangements**

This policy will be reviewed and approved by the governing board every three years.

## **14. Links to other policies**

This policy links to the following policies:

- Accessibility Policy
- Complaints Procedure
- Equality information and objectives
- First Aid
- Health and Safety Policy
- Intimate Care Policy
- Risk Assessment Policy
- Safeguarding
- SEN and Inclusion Policy

## 15. Guidance on Infection Control

Posters produced by the Health Protection Agency on Guidance on Infection Control in Schools & Childcare Settings are sited throughout the school. A copy is attached in Appendix 2.

## Appendix 1: Administration of Medication Form

St. Luke's Primary School				
<b>ADMINISTRATION OF MEDICATION</b>		<b>PUPIL NAME:</b>		<p><b>IMPORTANT</b></p> <p>Your child has received the following medication today. Please note medication is only administered with written parent/carer consent</p>
		DATE:	TIME:	
TYPE OF MEDICATION		DOSAGE		
Asthma pump				
Prescribed medication				
other				
AUTHORISED FIRST AIDER Name:			Signature:	

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**Appendix 2: Guidance on infection control in schools and other childcare settings**

# Guidance on infection control in schools and other childcare settings

Prevent the spread of infections by ensuring routine immunisation, high standards of personal hygiene and practice, particularly handwashing, and maintaining a clean environment. Please contact the Public Health Agency Health Protection Duty Room (Duty Room) on 0300 555 0119 or

visit [www.publichealth.hscni.net](http://www.publichealth.hscni.net) or [www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england](http://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england) if you would like any further advice or information, including the latest guidance. Children with rashes should be considered infectious and assessed by their doctor.

Rashes and skin infections	Recommended period to be kept away from school, nursery or childcare*	Comments
<b>Atelier's foot</b>	None	Atelier's foot is not a serious condition. Treatment is recommended.
<b>Chickpox†</b>	Until all vesicles have crusted over	See Vulnerable children and female staff – pregnancy
<b>Cold sores (Herpes simplex)</b>	None	Avoid kissing and contact with the sores. Cold sores are generally mild and self-limiting.
<b>Common scabies (scabies)</b>	Four days from onset of rash (paper 'Scabies Book')	Preventable by immunisation (DHR 2 & 3 dose). See Female staff – pregnancy.
<b>Hand, foot and mouth</b>	None	Contact the Duty Room if a large number of children are affected. Exclusion may be considered in some circumstances.
<b>Impetigo</b>	Until lesions are crusted and healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment	Antibiotic treatment speeds healing and reduces the infectious period.
<b>Pinhead‡</b>	Four days from onset of rash	Preventable by vaccination (DHR 2, 3). See Vulnerable children and female staff – pregnancy.
<b>Thalassium conjunctivitis</b>	None	A self-limiting condition.
<b>Ringworm</b>	Exclusion not usually required	Treatment is required.
<b>Scabies (Infestation)</b>	None	None.
<b>Strep throat</b>	Child can return after first treatment	Household and close contacts require treatment.
<b>Scabies (skin)</b>	Child can return 24 hours after commencing appropriate antibiotic treatment	Antibiotic treatment recommended for the affected child. The Duty Room will advise when contact with vulnerable children and female staff – pregnancy.
<b>Strep throat (Strep. pyogenes)</b>	None once rash has developed	See Vulnerable children and female staff – pregnancy.
<b>Shingles</b>	Exclude only if rash is spreading and cannot be covered	Contact the Duty Room if a large number of children are affected. Exclusion may be considered in some circumstances.
<b>Warts and verrucae</b>	None	Verrucae should be covered in swimming pools, playgrounds and changing rooms.

Diarrhoea and vomiting illness	Recommended period to be kept away from school, nursery or childcare*	Comments
<b>Diarrhoea and/or vomiting</b>	48 hours from last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting	
<b>CMV/CTV/EBV/CMV</b>	Should be excluded for 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea	Further exclusion is required for young children under 5 and those who have difficulty in adhering to hygiene practices.
<b>Rotavirus</b>	Further exclusion may be required for some children until they are no longer excreting	Children in these categories should be excluded until there is evidence of microbiological clearance. This guidance may also apply to some contacts of cases who may require microbiological clearance.
<b>Shigella/ Dysentery</b>	None	Please consult the Duty Room for further advice.
<b>Cryptosporidium</b>	Exclude for 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea	Exclusion from swimming is advisable for two weeks after the diarrhoea has settled.

Respiratory infections	Recommended period to be kept away from school, nursery or childcare*	Comments
<b>Flu (influenza)</b>	Until recovered	See Vulnerable children.
<b>Subconjunctivitis</b>	Always consult the Duty Room	Requires prolonged close contact for spread.
<b>Whooping cough†</b>	48 hours from commencing antibiotic treatment or 21 days from onset of onset of antibiotic treatment	Preventable by vaccination. After treatment, non-infectious coughing may continue for many weeks. The Duty Room will organise any contact tracing necessary.

Other infections	Recommended period to be kept away from school, nursery or childcare*	Comments
<b>Campylobacter</b>	None	If an outbreak occurs, consult the Duty Room.
<b>Diphtheria</b>	Exclusion is essential. Always consult the Duty Room	Family contacts must be excluded until cleared to return to the Duty Room. Preventable by vaccination. The Duty Room will organise any contact tracing necessary.
<b>Chlamydia trachomatis</b>	None	Treatment is recommended only in cases where the eye has been seen.
<b>Head lice</b>	None	The Duty Room will advise on any vaccination or other control measures that are needed for close contacts of a single case of head lice and for suspected outbreaks.
<b>Measles</b>	Exclude until seven days after onset of rash (or seven days after symptom onset if no rash)	Measles B and C and any other vaccine preventable disease that are not infectious through casual contact for cleaning of body fluid spills (see 'Good Hygiene Practice').
<b>Hepatitis B, C, infectious mononucleosis</b>	None	Some forms of infectious disease are preventable by vaccination (see vaccination schedule). There is no reason to exclude siblings or other close contacts of a case. In the case of an outbreak, it may be necessary to provide antibiotic and/or antiviral immunoglobulin to close contacts. The Duty Room will advise on any advice needed.
<b>Hepatitis A</b>	Until recovered	High and gastroenteric infections are preventable by vaccination. There is no reason to exclude siblings or other close contacts of a case. The Duty Room will give advice on any advice needed.
<b>Hepatitis B</b>	None	High and gastroenteric infections are preventable by vaccination. There is no reason to exclude siblings or other close contacts of a case. Contact tracing is not required.
<b>HSCA</b>	None	Good hygiene, in particular handwashing and environmental cleaning, are important to minimise any danger of spread. If further information is required, contact the Duty Room.
<b>Polio</b>	Exclude until five days after onset of swelling	Preventable by vaccination (DHR 2 & 3 dose).
<b>Thrombocytopenic purpura</b>	None	Treatment is recommended for the child and household contacts.
<b>Typhoid</b>	None	There are many cases, but most cases are due to contact and not spread in schools.

**Good hygiene practice**  
**Handwashing** is one of the most important ways of controlling the spread of infections, especially those that cause diarrhoea and vomiting, and respiratory disease. The recommended method is the use of liquid soap, warm water and paper towels. Always wash hands after using the toilet, before eating or handling food, and after handling animals. Cover all surfaces and between with soap and water.

**Coughing and sneezing** only spread infections. Children and adults should be encouraged to cover their mouth and nose with a tissue, their elbow after using or disposing of tissues. Coughs should be managed.

**Personal protective equipment (PPE)** Disposable non-vented caps or hoods (or CP-masking glasses and disposable plastic aprons) must be worn when there is a risk of splashing or contamination with faecal/urinary fluid (for example, nappies or pad changing). Capes should also be available for use when there is a risk of splashing to the face. Contact PPE should be used when handling cleaning chemicals.

**Cleaning of the environment**, including toys and equipment, should be frequent, thorough and follow national guidance. For example, use colour-coded equipment. Follow Control of Substances Hazardous to Health (COSHH) regulations and correct disposal of cleaning equipment. Pressure washing outdoors and shower facilities are appropriately treated with water to PPE.

**Cleaning of blood and body fluid spillages**. All spillages of blood, tears, saliva, vomit, stool and eye discharges should be cleaned up immediately. Clean up PPE when using cold water clean up a spillage that contains both a detergent and a disinfectant. Use an appropriate disinfectant and ensure it is effective against bacteria and viruses and suitable for use on the affected surface. Floor can only be cleaned by cleaning up blood and body fluid spillages – use disposable paper towels and avoid contact with any spillage. A spillage kit should be available for blood spills.

**Laundry** should be dealt with in a separate dedicated facility. Soiled linen should be washed separately at the highest wash the fabric will tolerate. When PPE when handling soiled linen (children's soiled clothing) should be bagged to go home, never reused by hand.

**Clinical waste** always segregate domestic and clinical waste. In accordance with local policy, clinical waste (e.g. gloves, gowns, soiled clothing) should be placed in a clinical waste bag and disposed of as clinical waste. All clinical waste must be transported by a registered waste contractor. All clinical waste bags should be clearly marked and stored in a dedicated secure area after sealing. Dispose of sharps in a sharps container.

**Sharps injuries and bites**  
 If a child has a fall or is injured, ensure the wound is adequately covered with a plaster. Advise the parent if the injury is serious. Contact CP if an occupational health or go to A&E immediately. Report all bites to the parent. Contact the Duty Room for advice. If vulnerable.

**Animals**  
 Animals may carry infections, so wash hands after handling animals. Health and Safety Executive (HSE) has issued (HSE) guidance for protecting the health and safety of children when visiting farms.

**Animals to be excluded from school**. Ensure animals brought onto school are kept clean and away from areas where children should be kept. Regularly and properly clean and disinfect all surfaces that come into contact with animals. Children should be kept away from areas where animals are kept. Regularly and properly clean and disinfect all surfaces that come into contact with animals. Children should be kept away from areas where animals are kept. Regularly and properly clean and disinfect all surfaces that come into contact with animals.

**Water systems**. For more information visit <http://www.hscni.net/publications/guidance> or contacting the Health Protection Duty Room.

**Vulnerable children**  
 Some medical conditions make children vulnerable to infections that would rarely be serious in most children. These include those being treated for leukaemia or other cancers or high doses of steroids and other conditions that seriously reduce immunity. Schools and nurseries and children's centres normally have been made aware of such children. These children are particularly vulnerable to chickenpox, measles and pertussis (B1 and B2) and to other infections. The parent/carer should be alerted to the child's condition and the school/nursery should be alerted to the child's condition. Some vulnerable children may need further precautions for cases, which should be discussed with the parent or carer in conjunction with their medical team and school/health.

**Female staff – pregnancy**  
 If pregnant staff have contact with children who have infectious diseases, they should be investigated by a doctor who can contact the Duty Room for further advice. The greatest risk is pregnant women from such infections. This risk can be reduced by ensuring that the pregnant staff are aware of the risk and the Duty Room is kept informed. Pregnant staff should be advised to avoid contact with children who have infectious diseases. Pregnant staff should be advised to avoid contact with children who have infectious diseases. Pregnant staff should be advised to avoid contact with children who have infectious diseases.

**Immunisations**  
 Immunisation status should always be checked at school entry and at the time of any vaccination. Parents should be encouraged to have their child immunised and any immunisation missed or further catch-up doses organised through the child's GP.

When to introduce	Disease vaccine protection against	How it is given
1 month old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
2 months old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
3 months old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
4 months old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
1 year old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
1.5 years old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
2 years old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
2.5 years old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
3 years old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
4 years old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
5 years old	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough) and Hib	One injection
10 to 15 years old	Tetanus, diphtheria and Hib	One injection
16 to 18 years old	Tetanus, diphtheria and Hib	One injection

This is the Immunisation Schedule of July 2016. Children who present with certain risk factors may require additional immunisations. Always consult the most updated version of the 'Green Book' for the latest immunisation schedule on [www.nhs.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england](http://www.nhs.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england).

From October 2017 children will receive hepatitis B vaccine at 2, 4 and 8 months of age in combination with the diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio and Hib vaccine.

**Staff immunisations**. All staff should undergo a full occupational health check prior to employment. This includes ensuring they are up to date with immunisations, including two doses of DTP.

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