



GUIDANCE TO PARENTS – MEDICINES IN SCHOOL

Parkwood School follows the guidance on Managing Medicines in Schools issued by the DFSCF and Department of Health (date of issue March 2005).

This guidance can be found at teachernet.gov.uk in publication or can be viewed in school.

The guidance refers in the main, to children who have long term or on-going medical needs or conditions.

Children who have shorter spells of illness or infection should be kept at home until well enough to return to school. When a child has had an infectious illness we may require your GP to provide a letter stating that the child is fit to return to school.

If a course of medication is required please ask your GP to prescribe in doses which allows the medicine to be administered out of school hours. Medicines such as Paracetamol, Nurofen, and Antibiotics are not usually allowed in school.

In exceptional circumstances school staff may agree to administer a medicine, this can only be done on completion of a request form (available from the school office).

It is not considered appropriate for medicine to be administered by school staff to children in the Nursery (except for long term medical conditions).