



Archbishop Blanch
SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

As you may be aware there has been new advice given to schools on how they support pupils with long term and short term medical issues. The guidelines advise schools that they should no longer administer or store non-prescribed drugs to pupils. After consultation with the governing body of our school we have made and ratified the following amendments to Archbishop Blanch's Supporting Children & Young People with Medical Conditions in School Policy.

- Pupils will not be given non prescribed medication including pain relief in school.
- Non-prescribed drugs will not be stored in school and should not be in the possession of any pupil attending Archbishop Blanch. Staff at Archbishop Blanch will ask any pupil found with non-personally prescribed drugs to hand them over immediately and parents will be contacted and informed.
- If a pupil is required to take prescribed medicines in school time they should be brought into school by a parent or responsible adult with the details of when they were prescribed and instructions for administration. Parents will be required to fill out a medical form which identifies what the medicines are and how they will be administered. Without this and a parent's signature we will not allow any pupil to access medicines.

We are very much aware that some pupils need to carry certain medications with them at all times, inhalers, insulin and epi pens for instance and this will not change.

We do hope you can support these changes and if you require any further information please do not hesitate to contact Mrs Hyland (Pastoral Manager).

Yours sincerely

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Pastoral Manager KS3

Ms H Duggan
Headteacher

