Parent Information

Medical

There is a supervised medical room off the main office for children who may become unwell or injured while at school. Staff who are trained in first aid will make an assessment as to whether parents need to be contacted. In cases of major injuries and emergencies the school will take appropriate emergency measures.

Please do not send a child to school if you know he/she is ill or may have an infectious disease. Please make sure that any sores or wounds are covered before the child comes to school. If there is any doubt we may request a medical certificate before a child can attend school.

Student Medication

If your child requires prescription medication while at school please make an appointment to come in and discuss the best way to go about administering this. Please note that non prescribed medication (including Aspirin etc) cannot be administered by school staff.

Head Lice

The Health and Education Departments have a joint policy on head lice. Parents have the prime responsibility to check their children for head lice on a regular basis. Hair brushing morning and night and keeping long hair tied up and plaited helps avoid head lice.

Where a teacher suspects a child has hair nits (eggs) or head lice the parents of the child will be notified. The teacher will send home a letter to all families who have children in that class. The letter requests parents to check, and if necessary, treat their child. An infected child may return to school after treatment and removal of all eggs from the hair.

School staff are not required to check students’ hair. It is the responsibility of parents to inspect and treat their children. Detailed information about the current recommended treatment for head lice will be supplied by the school or the Family and Child Health Centre.

Asthma Sufferers

All students who suffer from asthma attacks are to make certain they have Ventolin sprays or other suitable medication with them. There is no other first aid treatment for asthma. As an Asthma Friendly School, Ventolin and a spacer are held in the first aid room for an emergency. This is not however a substitute for personal Ventolin supplies.
**Allergies**

It is expected that the details of any student who has an allergy will be notified to the school at the time of enrolment. Each year, every student’s details held on school records will be forwarded to parents for verification. It is important that all medical details included on this report are checked for accuracy.

Emergency allergy medication can be held in the school office for on-site use. Students participating in excursions are required to ensure that they carry their own medication, unless a specific arrangement has been made with supervising staff.

**Student Accidents**

Parents are advised that the school and the Department do not carry any insurance for injury or accidents to students at school and should therefore be aware of their responsibility for any costs incurred should such an accident occur.