

*St. Mark's Catholic
Primary School*



*Medical Needs Policy
COV- 19 Update*

*Proudly and Joyfully,
We love, live and learn as God's Children*

Introduction

At St Mark's Catholic Primary School we aim to maintain a secure, caring and inclusive environment. Whilst expectations in our current Medical Needs Policy remain pertinent. It is necessary, in light of the Covid-19 pandemic, to make some adjustments for the safety of all pupils and staff. These adjustments are set out below:

Children with medical conditions

St Mark's Catholic Primary School have reviewed any individual health care plans that are in place for any children with medical conditions who are continuing to attend school. They have ensured that new group/bubble staff have up to date medical records, health care plans and information regarding children's needs have been communicated to ensure that the appropriate care is provided during their time at school. School staff have ensured that all medication is in the child's group/bubble classroom, should it be required.

Treatment of Medical Conditions during COV – 19

Where a child requires treatment for a medical condition, in line with their care plan, school staff will wear the appropriate PPE equipment to administer this medication. Where a child requires the application of cream for a medical condition, school staff will support the child in applying the cream themselves. This will eliminate physical contact between the child and the member of staff. This member of staff will be, where possible, a member of the child's bubble.

Parents & Guardians

Parents, as defined in the Education Act 1944, are a child's main carers. They are responsible for making sure that their child is well enough to attend school during the COV-19 pandemic. They must;

- Provide the Headteacher with sufficient information about their child's medical condition and treatment to allow the appropriate arrangements to be put in place in school.
- Reach agreement jointly with the school on the school's role in helping with their child's medical needs.
- Share information to ensure the best care for the child.

First Aiders

Our first aiders are identified on a central First Aid display board in school and are known to all staff and pupils. They have a routine programme of training that is scheduled within the given cycles. Their training is recorded on the central medical training log. During the re-opening of school, St Mark's Catholic Primary School has ensured that we have a paediatric first aider on site and relevant members of staff trained in first aid.