

Subject: Medication in school – A reminder for parents/carers

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of our ongoing commitment to keeping all students safe, we would like to remind families of our expectations regarding medication brought into school.

We recognise that some students may need access to medication during the school day, particularly those with ongoing medical conditions. Where this is the case, we have procedures in place to ensure that medication can be accessed safely and appropriately, including arrangements for students who are able to manage their own medication.

Students should not routinely bring or carry medication in school unless this has been agreed with the school (and parents).

Where a student requires pain relief or other medication during the school day, we ask parents/carers to contact the school so that we can agree the safest and most appropriate arrangement for the individual student. This may include medication being held securely by the school or it may be an agreed arrangement for the student to carry and self-manage their medication.

Please do not send large quantities of medication into school or arrive at school and expect school staff to pass medication to students. In particular, full bottles of liquid medication such as Calpol should not be brought into school unless this forms part of an agreed medical arrangement.

These measures are intended to balance students' access to medication with our responsibility to keep all students safe and to ensure that medication is stored, accessed and used appropriately.

If your child has a medical condition and/or requires regular access to medication during the school day (that we are not aware of), please contact J-Shields@ashbyschool.org.uk so that we can discuss their individual needs and agree appropriate arrangements.

Thank you for your support and cooperation.

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