



At Harmans Water School we are keen to maintain a high standard of pastoral care for all our children. The pupils are well supervised during lunchtime, and minor cuts and grazes are given necessary treatment by our full time First Aider. We will not hesitate to contact parents if their child sustains a nasty cut or bump.

## **SICKNESS**

During their first few terms in school children are often prone to minor illnesses and the usual childhood diseases. If your child is unwell please do not send him/her to school until you are sure he/she is fully recovered. After infectious diseases, follow the recommendations of absence required. A telephone call or a letter to the school explaining the reason for any absence must be made.

If your child becomes unwell during the school day then we will contact you or a specified relative or friend. We need to be kept up to date with emergency contact numbers.

## **MEDICINES**

We do not administer any medicines in school unless it is a long-term medication such as those required by children suffering from asthma or diabetes. If your child is on long-term medication then please see our First Aider, who will give you a form to fill in stating requirements.

## **HEADLICE**

It is essential you check your child's hair at least once a week. If you discover your child has headlice then the treatment can be obtained from your doctor or pharmacist. All members of the family will require treatment. Mrs Riddex will be able to assist with 'identification' of headlice if you are in any doubt.

## **SCHOOL HEALTH SERVICE**

Before your child starts school there will be an opportunity to discuss any aspect of your child's health such as hearing difficulties, special diet, sight deficiency, which you feel may impair their performance at school. Our School Nurse, will also be pleased to discuss any health concerns you may have. She will be involved with health checks in school such as routine eye tests, hearing tests and height and weight checks. Your child will then be asked to a health interview with yourself and the School Nurse and, if necessary, a referral will then be made to the school doctor. You will be informed of the interview by letter – please respond.

During your child's stay in school there will be an annual dental check.

## **ALLERGIES**

Please inform us of any allergies your child may suffer from.

## **PERSONAL WELLBEING**

If there is any aspect of school life which is troubling your child please do come in and discuss it with us, however trivial it may appear.

## **HEALTH**

In teaching health education we aim to help protect children from illness and risks and to promote the development of a healthy lifestyle.