



IMPORTANT - Medicines in School

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Please see information below relevant to Asthma medication in school and the advice we have been given regarding the use of analgesic medications (paracetamol) in school.

- **ASTHMA** - If your child is prescribed with an inhaler for short term use to help clear a chest infection respiratory infection we will administer an inhaler for the period of time advised by the doctor as we would any other prescribed medication. After this time the inhaler will be returned home with your child. **ONLY** if your child has a **BROWN** reliever should asthma medication be required to be kept in school at all times. **Please note: if we do have an inhaler in school they must have a spacer to administer the inhaler. Without this the medication is less effective as it is ingested into the stomach and not the lungs.**
- **PARACETAMOL** - We are aware that doctors will no longer prescribe paracetamol for children as this is available to obtain from the chemist. However, if your doctor advises that paracetamol is administered during school hours for a short period of time to cover a short term illness, please request your doctor to issue a note for school to this effect with an end date so that the medication can be returned home.

Thank you for your co-operation.