

Medicine Policy

Whilst I am caring for your child I am happy to administer medicine should the need arise providing you have signed a parental permission form for me to do so.

I can administer non-prescribed medication, such as Calpol or Nurofen, if an accident occurs and your child needs pain relief. Even though you may have signed the permission form I will still contact you to check that I can administer the medication. This is to protect your child, you and myself.

I can administer non-prescribed medication, such as Calpol, Nurofen or teething gel if your child is teething.

If your child has a self-held medication (ie: an inhaler) please obtain an additional one to be kept at my home. In the morning rush of leaving home children can easily forget to pick up their inhaler. What could be a simple puff of ventalin then turns into a major incident and a trip to the hospital.

If your child has acute allergies and carries/needs an epipen, please discuss the matter with me. I may need additional training to administer these forms of medication.

If your child needs to take medication prescribed by a doctor, please discuss this with me. The details of the medication will need to be added to the permission form. In some cases a child on antibiotics may be asked not to attend for 2-3 days in case they react to the medication and in some instances to prevent the spread of an infection to others.

It is vital that you inform me of any medication you may have given your child before they arrive into my care. I need to know what medicine they have had, the dose and time given.

When I receive any medication from yourself to administer it must be in its original bottle/container and not decanted. It must have the manufactures guidelines on it and if prescribed the details of the doctor/pharmacy. It must also be clearly labelled with your child's name. I will ensure that all medication given to me will be stored correctly and I will check that it is still within its expiry date.

I will record all medication administered in my book and request a parental signature at the end of each day.