

Fiskerton CE Primary School



Children with health needs who cannot attend school policy

2024 - 2025

Flourishing together within the love of God.

As an inclusive and caring church school, we aim to provide an excellent education and develop a life-long love of learning. We see all members of our school family as valued and valuable in the eyes of God, and we support and challenge everyone to achieve their full potential.

"I come to bring life in all its fullness." (John 10:10)

Being a Good Neighbour

Friendship

Peace

Love

Thankfulness

Fulfilling Our Gifts

Wisdom

Self-Belief

Hope

Trust

Serving Others

Compassion

Forgiveness

Responsibility

Respect

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1. Aims

This policy aims to ensure that:

- Suitable education is arranged for pupils on roll who cannot attend school due to health needs
- Pupils, staff and parents understand what the school is responsible for when this education is being provided by the local authority

2. Legislation and guidance

This policy reflects the requirements of the [Education Act 1996](#).

It is also based on guidance provided by our local authority.

3. The responsibilities of the school

Fiskerton CE Primary school will work closely with the local authority's guidance on providing education to children with additional health needs, in order to identify what needs to be in place for the school in this circumstance.

3.1 If the school makes arrangements

Initially, the school will attempt to make arrangements to deliver suitable education for children with health needs who cannot attend school.

- This would be the responsibility of the class teacher working with the SENDCo and Head teacher in order to establish an educational plan for the pupil.
- Arrangements would be made on an individual basis depending on the needs of the child. Provision may include sending work home or a child being educated in a hospital school. School work would be provided via email or Google Classroom.
- The school will work closely with parents, meeting together, developing a support plan and agreeing the appropriate steps needed to support the pupil.
- Reintegration of pupils back into school will be discussed with the parents and pupil to ensure the individual needs are met and a re-integration plan is suitable to meet the needs of the pupil.

3.2 If the local authority makes arrangements

If the school can't make suitable arrangements, Lincolnshire County Council will become responsible for arranging suitable education for these children.

In these cases:

- The school will keep the parents informed and follow the process for referring a child to the local authority.
- The school will work closely with the local authority and their SEND department to ensure arrangements are appropriate to the needs of the pupil.
- The school will work closely with the local authority and parents to ensure the needs of the pupil are met. We will ensure the pupil is absent from school for the least amount of time whilst ensuring their health and well-being are a priority.

In cases where the local authority makes arrangements, the school will:

- Work constructively with the local authority, providers, relevant agencies and parents to ensure the best outcomes for the pupil
- Share information with the local authority and relevant health services as required
- Help make sure that the provision offered to the pupil is as effective as possible and that the child can be reintegrated back into school successfully
- When reintegration is anticipated, work with the local authority to:
- Plan for consistent provision during and after the period of education outside the school, allowing the pupil to access the same curriculum and materials that they would have used in school as far as possible
- Enable the pupil to stay in touch with school life (e.g. through newsletters, emails, invitations to school events or internet links to lessons from their school)
- Create individually tailored reintegration plans for each child returning to school
- Consider whether any reasonable adjustments need to be made

4. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Headteacher and Governing Body.

5. Links to other policies

This policy links to the following policies:

- Accessibility plan
- Supporting pupils with medical conditions

Approved by:



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