

# First aid policy



King's Academy Northern Parade



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# 1. Aims

The aims of our first aid policy are to:

- > Ensure the health and safety of all staff, pupils and visitors
- > Ensure that staff and governors are aware of their responsibilities with regards to health and safety
- > Provide a framework for responding to an incident and recording and reporting the outcomes

# 2. Legislation and guidance

This policy is based on the <u>Statutory Framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage</u> and <u>Early years foundation stage</u>: <u>coronavirus disapplications</u> guidance, advice from the Department for Education on <u>first aid in schools</u>, <u>health and safety in schools</u> and <u>actions for schools during the coronavirus outbreak</u>, and the following legislation:

- > The Health and Safety (First Aid) Regulations 1981, which state that employers must provide adequate and appropriate equipment and facilities to enable first aid to be administered to employees, and qualified first aid personnel
- > The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1992, which require employers to make an assessment of the risks to the health and safety of their employees
- ➤ The Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999, which require employers to carry out risk assessments, make arrangements to implement necessary measures, and arrange for appropriate information and training
- > The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences Regulations (RIDDOR) 2013, which state that some accidents must be reported to the Health and Safety Executive (HSE), and set out the timeframe for this and how long records of such accidents must be kept
- > <u>Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979</u>, which set out rules on the retention of accident records

> The Education (Independent School Standards) Regulations 2014, which require that suitable space is provided to cater for the medical and therapy needs of pupils

This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

# 3. Roles and responsibilities

## 3.1 Appointed person(s) and first aiders

The school's appointed First Aiders are: **Julie Waller, Charlotte Horne, Chris Costa** They are responsible for:

- > Taking charge when someone is injured or becomes ill
- > Ensuring there is an adequate supply of medical materials in first aid kits, and replenishing the contents of these kits
- > Ensuring that an ambulance or other professional medical help is summoned when appropriate

First aiders are trained and qualified to carry out the role (see section 7) and are responsible for:

- > Acting as first responders to any incidents; they will assess the situation where there is an injured or ill person, and provide immediate and appropriate treatment
- > Sending pupils home to recover, where necessary
- > Filling in an accident report on the same day, or as soon as is reasonably practicable, after an incident (see the template in appendix 2)
- > Keeping their contact details up to date

Our school's First Aiders are listed in appendix 1. Their names will also be displayed prominently around the school.

# 3.2 The local authority and governing board

Portsmouth City Council as ultimate responsibility for health and safety matters in the school, but delegates responsibility for the strategic management of such matters to the school's governing board.

The governing board delegates operational matters and day-to-day tasks to the headteacher and staff members.

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## 3.2 The governing board

The governing board has ultimate responsibility for health and safety matters in the school, but delegates operational matters and day-to-day tasks to the headteacher and staff members.

#### 3.4 The headteacher

The headteacher is responsible for the implementation of this policy, including:

- > Ensuring that an appropriate number of First Aiders are present in the school at all times
- > Ensuring that first aiders have an appropriate qualification, keep training up to date and remain competent to perform their role
- > Ensuring all staff are aware of first aid procedures
- > Ensuring appropriate risk assessments are completed and appropriate measures are put in place
- Undertaking, or ensuring that managers undertake, risk assessments, as appropriate, and that appropriate measures are put in place

- > Ensuring that adequate space is available for catering to the medical needs of pupils
- > Reporting specified incidents to the HSE when necessary (see section 6)

#### 3.5 Staff

School staff are responsible for:

- > Ensuring they follow first aid procedures
- > Ensuring they know who the first aiders in school are
- > Completing accident reports (see appendix) for all incidents they attend to where a first aider/appointed person is not called
- > Informing the headteacher or their manager of any specific health conditions or first aid needs

# 4. First aid procedures

## 4.1 In-school procedures

In the event of an accident resulting in injury:

- > The closest member of staff present will assess the seriousness of the injury and seek the assistance of a qualified first aider, if appropriate, who will provide the required first aid treatment
- > The first aider, if called, will assess the injury and decide if further assistance is needed from a colleague or the emergency services. They will remain on scene until help arrives
- > The first aider will also decide whether the injured person should be moved or placed in a recovery position
- > If the first aider judges that a pupil is too unwell to remain in school, parents will be contacted and asked to collect their child. Upon their arrival, the first aider will recommend next steps to the parents
- > If emergency services are called, the office staff contact parents immediately. If parents/carers cannot be contacted a member of staff will accompany the child until they arrive.
- > In case of non-urgent hospital treatment, parents will be contacted immediately and informed they need to take their child to hospital. If parents cannot be contacted member of staff will transport the child to hospital. Only staff cars insured to cover transportation will be used.
- > No individual member of staff will be alone with a child in a vehicle.
- > If a child goes to hospital, A first aider and the Headteacher will fill out an accident report Form.
- > The first aider will complete an accident report form on the same day or as soon as is reasonably practical after an incident resulting in an injury
- > First aiders will wear disposable gloves where bodily fluids are present
- ➤ All dressings/materials that have been in contact with bodily fluids must be disposed of in a designated medical bin (Yellow). These are collected regularly by an outside agency.
- > If a child vomits or has diarrhoea in school, they will be sent home and will not be able to return to school for 48 hours since the last episode.
- > Staff do not examine children for headlice, if we suspect a case of headlice we will send a general text/letter to advise all parents to examine their child's head. For persistent cases parents will be contacted directly.
- > The Defibrillator is located in the Leadership Office, this can be used by any member of staff in case of an emergency –m the procedure will be relayed by ambulance staff over the phone.

There will be at least 1 person who has a current paediatric first aid (PFA) certificate on the premises at all times.

**During coronavirus**: we will use our 'best endeavours' to ensure 1 person with a full PFA certificate is on site when children aged 2 to 5 are present. If, after taking all possible steps in our power, we're still unable to

secure a staff member with a full PFA certificate, we will carry out a written risk assessment and ensure someone with a current first aid at work or emergency PFA certification is on site at all times when these children are.

**During coronavirus**: first aiders will follow Health and Safety Executive (HSE) guidance for <u>first aid during coronavirus</u>. They will try to assist at a safe distance from the casualty as much as possible and minimise the time they share a breathing zone. Treating any casualty properly will be the first concern. Where it is necessary for first aid provision to be administered in close proximity, those administering it will pay particular attention to sanitation measures immediately afterwards including washing their hands.

## 4.2 Off-site procedures

When taking pupils off the school premises, staff will ensure they always have the following:

- > A school mobile phone
- > A portable first aid kit
- > Information about the specific medical needs of pupils
- > Pupil medication as required i.e. Epi Pen/Inhaler
- > Parents' contact details
- > If the first aider judges that a pupil is too unwell to remain in school, parents will be contacted and asked to collect their child. Upon their arrival, the first aider will recommend next steps to the parents
- > If emergency services are called, the office staff contact parents immediately. If parents/carers cannot be contacted a member of staff will accompany the child until they arrive.
- > In case of non-urgent hospital treatment, parents will be contacted immediately and informed they need to take their child to hospital. If parents cannot be contacted member of staff will transport the child to hospital. Only staff cars insured to cover transportation will be used.
- > No individual member of staff will be alone with a child in a vehicle.
- > If a child goes to hospital, A first aider and the Headteacher will fill out an accident report form.

#### 4.3 - Accident involving the head

- > The governing body recognise that accidents involving the pupils head can be problematic as the injury may not be evident and the effects only become noticeable after a period of time
- > A cold compress will be applied to all head injuries.
- > A telephone call will be made to parent/carer if the first aider is concerned about the injury sustained
- > All head bumps are acknowledged by a text sent home to the parent/carer
- ➤ A bumped head incident report slip will be sent home via the child for all accidents involving the head (appendix 3)
- > Class teacher signs bumped head slip so that they are aware to monitor the pupil throughout the day.

Risk assessments will be completed by the Year Group lead prior to any educational visit that necessitates taking pupils off school premises.

There will always be at least 1 first aider with a current paediatric first aid (PFA) certificate on school trips and visits, as required by the statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage.

**During coronavirus**: we will use our 'best endeavours' to ensure 1 person with a full PFA certificate accompanies children on outings when children aged 2 to 5 are present. If, after taking all possible steps in our power, we're still unable to secure a staff member with a full PFA certificate, we will include this in our written risk assessment and ensure someone with a current first aid at work or emergency PFA certification accompanies these children on the outing. Outings will only be undertaken if it is safe to do so. We will take account of any government advice in relation to educational visits during the coronavirus pandemic.

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# 5. Health care plans

First aider to review annually with parents/guardians.

#### Location:

- > Junior and infant medical rooms
- > Copies kept securely in classroom and shared areas
- > Main school office

Transferred securely to new school on transition.

#### 6. Medication

Emergency medication is located in secure cabinet or fridge in the medical rooms.

# 6. Record-keeping and reporting

## 6.1 First aid and accident record book

- > An accident form will be completed by the first aider on the same day or as soon as possible after an incident resulting in an injury.
- > As much detail as possible should be supplied when reporting an accident, including all of the information included in the accident form at appendix 2
- > Records held in the first aid and accident book will be retained by the school for a minimum of 3 years, in accordance with regulation 25 of the Social Security (Claims and Payments) Regulations 1979, and then securely disposed of.
- > A slip signed by a first aider and class teacher goes home to the parent/carer.

## 6.2 Reporting to the HSE

The first aider will keep a record of any accident which results in a reportable injury, disease, or dangerous occurrence as defined in the RIDDOR 2013 legislation (regulations 4, 5, 6 and 7).

The first aider will report these to the Health and Safety Executive as soon as is reasonably practicable and in any event within 10 days of the incident.

Reportable injuries, diseases or dangerous occurrences include:

- Death
- > Specified injuries, which are:
  - Fractures, other than to fingers, thumbs and toes
  - Amputations
  - Any injury likely to lead to permanent loss of sight or reduction in sight
  - Any crush injury to the head or torso causing damage to the brain or internal organs
  - Serious burns (including scalding)

- Any scalding requiring hospital treatment
- · Any loss of consciousness caused by head injury or asphyxia
- Any other injury arising from working in an enclosed space which leads to hypothermia or heatinduced illness, or requires resuscitation or admittance to hospital for more than 24 hours
- > Injuries where an employee is away from work or unable to perform their normal work duties for more than 7 consecutive days (not including the day of the incident)
- > Where an accident leads to someone being taken to hospital
- > Near-miss events that do not result in an injury, but could have done. Examples of near-miss events relevant to schools include, but are not limited to:
  - The collapse or failure of load-bearing parts of lifts and lifting equipment
  - The accidental release of a biological agent likely to cause severe human illness
  - The accidental release or escape of any substance that may cause a serious injury or damage to health
  - An electrical short circuit or overload causing a fire or explosion

Information on how to make a RIDDOR report is available here:

How to make a RIDDOR report, HSE

http://www.hse.gov.uk/riddor/report.htm

## 6.3 Reporting to Ofsted and child protection agencies

The headteacher will notify Ofsted of any serious accident, illness or injury to, or death of, a pupil while in the school's care. This will happen as soon as is reasonably practicable, and no later than 14 days after the incident.

The headteacher will also notify MASH of any serious accident or injury to, or the death of, a pupil while in the school's care.

# 7. Training

All school staff are able to undertake first aid training if they would like to.

All first aiders must have completed a training course, and must hold a valid certificate of competence to show this. The school will keep a register of all trained first aiders, what training they have received and when this is valid until (see appendix 3).

Staff are encouraged to renew their first aid training when it is no longer valid.

At all times, at least 1 staff member will have a current paediatric first aid (PFA) certificate which meets the requirements set out in the Early Years Foundation Stage statutory framework and is updated at least every 3 years.

**During coronavirus**: if PFA certificate requalification training is prevented for reasons associated with the pandemic, the validity of current PFA certificates (expiring on or after 1 October 2020) can be extended to 31 March 2021 at the latest. We will do our best to arrange requalification training at the earliest opportunity. If staff members' certificates do need to be extended, we will encourage them to access online resources to refresh their knowledge of paediatric first aid procedures while waiting for face-to-face training.

# 8. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed by the first aider every year.

At every review, the policy will be approved by the headteacher and governing board committee

# 9. Links with other policies

This first aid policy is linked to the

- > Health and safety policy
- > Risk assessment policy
- > Policy on supporting pupils with medical conditions
- > Administering medication policy

# Appendix 1: list of appointed persons(s) for first aid

STAFF MEMBER'S NAME	ROLE	CONTACT DETAILS
Julie Waller	Junior LSA – First Aider	07504611995
Christine Coster	Infant LSA – Pediatric First Aider	02392 662129
Charlotte Horne	SIMs Manager – First Aider	02392 662 129 ext 304

# Portsmouth City Council 'Accident' Report Form

Section 1: Injured person and manager to complete (as soon as possible after incident)

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Section 1a: Incident		141									1 11	
Is the incident a? (tick appropriate box)	Accident resulting in injury			y:	Ш		angerous occurrence:			Occupational disease:		
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Section 1b: Notifica	tion of occ	cupation	al dise	ease:								
Give details of the occupational disease  Now complete section 1d:						n 1d:						
Section 1c: Accident (or incident) details:												
Date of accident:	Time of acciden			ident: Name of site/school:								
Location of accident	Location of accident scene? (Exactly where on site did the accident occur)											
Brief summary of the	accident/ir	ncident (fa	acts only	– use co	ntin	uation se	ction on	page 2, if necessa	ıry)?			
If reporting a dangerous o	ccurrence – si	gn and dat	e this for	m below	and	I forward t	o your r	nanager:				
Brief details the injury	y(s) sustain	ed?										
What part of the body	y was injure	ed?										
Was first aid/medical		Yes 🔲		<b>s</b> , give								
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Was the injured pers	on taken to	hospital	direct f	from ac	cid	ent scer	ne?	No Yes	if yes, v	which ho	ospital?	
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contact telephone nu	mbers?											
Section 1d: Injured	person(s)	details (d	or name	of persor	n rep	porting inc	ident w	here no injury susta	ained)			
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a:- (tick appropriate box)	employ	/ee	(Contrac	ctor, age	ncy	staff, train	er, etc.)	service-use	r	(visitor,	pupils, etc.)	
Injured person's full r	Injured person's full name?  Job title? (if applicable)											
Name of their manager (if council employee)?  Service/Department:												
Place of work (home a	ddress for nor	n-employee	·)						·			
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Contact telephone number: (print):												
Section 2: 'Inju	red Persor	ıs' mana	ger to	compl	ete	- to be	sent t	to H&S Unit wi	thin 5	days c	of incident	

Section 2: Management action taken post incident

management review of the accident and outcome)?						Yes   No
Have you identified what caused the accidance happen?	dent to	No 🗆	. 0	brief details here!		
Were witness statements taken? Yes	s 🗌 No 🗌	Have photog	graphs be	en taken?	Yes [	☐ No ☐
Did the accident result in time off work - not including the day of the incident	Yes  No	If Yes, (tick correct be	ox)	Returned to work Still on sick leave		date here)
Is this incident RIDDOR reportable?	es No No	Is a copy of t	the RIDD	OR attached?	Yes [	_ No
Have outside agencies been involved in t incident i.e. HSE, police, etc.	he Yes  No	If <b>Yes</b> , give det	tails here!			
What additional management controls ha been implemented to stop a similar incide occurring?	• •	s of new manager	ment contro	ls here (use continuati	on section if	needed):
Name of person completing 'section 2' (print):						
Contact telephone number: (print):						

# **Continuation Section**

Insert additional information here:	
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Section 3: H&S Unit actions taken po	ost-incident
Has the H&S Unit had any involvement post-incident	Yes No If yes, give details here!
Has this report form been completed to a satisfactory standard?	Yes No lf no, give details here!
Is the incident RIDDOR reportable?	Yes No If yes, give details here!
Does anyone else need to be informed of this incident (internally/externally)?	Yes No If yes, give details here!
Any additional comments relating to this incident?	Yes No If yes, give details here!
Has this report been recorded on the corporate database?	Yes No If no, give details here!
Name of H&S Unit Rep (print):	Signature: Date:

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# Appendix 3 – Bumped Head Slip



## Northern Parade Schools

King's Group Academies
admin-np@kingsacademies.uk
www.npschools.co.uk
Headteacher: Mrs Sue Wilson BEd (Hons)



Doyle Avenue

Portsmouth

Hampshire PO2 9NF

Date:

**Dear Parent** 

Unfortunately, your child ......bumped his / her head whilst at school today.

After treatment he / she returned to class. However, it would be advisable to watch for any signs of sickness or drowsiness during the evening.

Yours sincerely,

Mr W Beadell Headteacher