All Saints Church of England Primary School

'Playing our part in God's plan as we journey together to achieve the best for ourselves and others'

Children with Health Needs who cannot Attend School

All Saints is a calm, happy, inclusive and welcoming school, founded on love and hope, which works together to build a better community for everyone. We respect and care for all God's people (of all faiths and none) and His world, playing our part in God's plan as we journey together to achieve the best for ourselves and others. This policy is held within this vision and is shaped by our school values of Love, Hope and Community.

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.

Legislation and Guidance

This policy has due regard to all relevant legislation and statutory guidance including, but not limited to, the following:

- Education Act 1996 and Children and Families Act 2014
- Equality Act 2010
- UK GDPR and the Data Protection Act 2018"
- DfE (December 2023) 'Arranging education for children who cannot attend school because of health needs'
- DfE (2015) 'Supporting pupils at school with medical conditions'.

The Responsibilities of the School

The school will consult with Hampshire County Council to ascertain the best solution for the child's particular circumstances.

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 will be done in consultation with the child's parents or carer.

The Head Teacher and SENDCO will be responsible for making and monitoring these arrangements. A meeting will be made with parents / carers to discuss arrangements for working from home or hospital. A plan will be drawn up detailing agreed actions from the discussion, the plan will be signed by school and parents / carers. The plan will then be carried out to deliver education to the child.

The solution adopted will depend on the nature of the health issue concerned and its likely duration. For example, the solution might involve the child's teacher providing work to be undertaken at home.

If the Local Authority makes Arrangements

If the school is not able to make suitable arrangements, Hampshire County Council will become responsible for arranging suitable education for these children.

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.

Named officer

Local authorities should have a named officer who is responsible for the education of children with health needs and ensure parents know who the named officer is. The named officer should work closely with:

• schools

• relevant agencies
• medical professionals
• parents or carers

Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Full Governing Board.

Links to other policies

This policy links to the following policies:

- Supporting Children with Medical Needs
- Accessibility Plan

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