# **Guidance on Infection Control**

Children who are unwell should not attend school, although mild "snuffles" and colds need not necessarily prevent a child attending school.

Parents should notify the school office if their child has, or is suspected to have an infectious disease. A child with an infectious disease should be absent from school until fully recovered.

Kea School will notify parents if a significant risk to other children exists.

### **Absence Notifications**

If your child will not be attending school please notify the school office by 9.00am

Telephone: 01872 272265

Email: secretary@kea.cornwall.sch.uk

## **Routine Screening**

Your permission is sought prior to routine screening taking place:

- ♦ Vision screening (Foundation)
- Hearing screening (Year 1)
- Weighing and measuring (Foundation and Year 6)

### How can we help?

If you have any concerns about your child's health and the impact it might be having on their learning or enjoyment, please make an appointment to see your child's teacher in the first instance.

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# Illnesses and Medicines in School

# A Guide for Parents

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### **Medical Matters**

If your child is seriously injured or becomes ill while at school we will contact you immediately.

To help with this, please ensure that you provide the school office with up-to-date contact telephone numbers and notify us of any changes to your address/contact numbers.

If you cannot be contacted and staff feel that hospital treatment is necessary, a member of staff will escort your child to hospital.

Staff will continue to try to contact you or one of the designated emergency contacts.

## **Special Diets**

If your child has a food allergy or intolerance, please inform the headteacher and Eden Foods in writing.

This information will be shared with your child's teacher as it may affect class activities such as cookery and food-tasting.

# Administration of Medicine in School

We <u>must</u> have your written permission before <u>prescribed</u> medicine can be administered in school.

We will only administer medicine which has been prescribed by a medical professional.

Please complete a medicine consent form (available from the school office and the school website) and hand the medicine/inhaler to the office staff.

DO NOT send medicine to school with your child.

All medicines will be locked away (with the exception of inhalers which are always accessible and kept within classrooms).

Medicines should be clearly labelled to verify the pupil's name, dosage, frequency, duration of course of treatment, date prescribed and expiry date.

Kea School does not administer non-prescription medicine unless there are exceptional circumstances and with the prior agreement of the headteacher.

### **Common Ailments**

Kea School adheres to guidance provided by Public Health England in relation to the recommended period a child should be kept away from school. Some of the most common ailments and the recommended absence periods are listed below:

### Diarrhoea and or vomiting

48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting

### Chickenpox

Until all vesicles have crusted over

#### Flu

Until recovered

### **Impetigo**

Until lesions are crusted and healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment

### Slapped cheek

Check with your doctor

### Conjunctivitis

Check with your doctor

#### Headlice

None — but treatment is recommended

More information can be found on the Public Health England website www.gov.uk/phe