

asthma policy

The Nursery aim to:

- Welcome all children with asthma
- Liaise with parents and any other medical professionals working with the family
- Encourage and help children with asthma to participate fully in activities
- Ensure children have immediate access to their reliever inhalers

The Nursery recognises that asthma is an important condition affecting many young children.

The Nursery will make every effort to support the child and the parent/carer with the administration of medication, the Nursery also wants to support the staff and minimize any situation that could put them at risk. Therefore the Nursery requests whenever possible, that the parent/carer return from their class to administer their child's medication.

In emergency situations the Nursery staff will meet the individual needs of every child.

The Nursery will ensure the environment is favourable with asthma.

The Nursery will provide guidance to all staff on what to do in the event of a child having an asthma attack and the appropriate action to ensure the child's welfare in the event of an emergency situation.

At all times parent/carers must provide the Nursery with their child's medication, failing to do so will result in the child not be accepted into the setting. Parents/carers must give a letter of authorisation giving clear and precise details on how the medication should be administered.

If a child requires steroids for extreme asthma condition, the Nursery requests the child is excluded from nursery until the end of the course (normally a maximum of five days).

The Nursery will ensure that all of the children will be reassured and kept calm if they witness someone having an asthma attack and explain as far as possible about the inhaler and asthma.

The Nursery will reassure parents of children with asthma that their children are in a safe, caring environment.

The Nursery staff will keep up to date with all relevant training.