



# **Griffin Primary School**

**First Aid Policy** 

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3	Accountable SLT member	Louise Pitts			
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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</u> <u>Stage</u>, advice from the Department for Education on <u>first aid in schools</u> and <u>health</u> <u>and safety in schools</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
- <u>The Reporting of Injuries, Diseases and Dangerous Occurrences</u>
  <u>Regulations (RIDDOR) 2013</u>, 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

#### 3. Roles and responsibilities

# Appointed person(s) and first aiders

The school's appointed person is Louise Pitts, Head of School; or in her absence the most senior member of staff on site. The appointed person is responsible for:

- Taking charge when someone is injured or becomes ill
- Ensuring that an ambulance or other professional medical help is summoned when appropriate.



The following staff are responsible for ensuring there is an adequate supply of medical materials in first aid kits and replenishing the contents of these kits:

- Mrs Helen Batty
- Mrs Amy Carter

First aiders are trained and qualified to carry out the role 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
- Informing parents/carers of the injury/illness and treatment provided
- 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
- Logging a record of the first aid administered on CPOMS

The list of names of staff with photographs with First Aid training is updated termly and is displayed prominently around the school.

# The local governing body/Venn Trust Board

The local governing body and Venn Trust Board has ultimate responsibility for health and safety matters in the school, but delegates operational matters and day-to-day tasks to the Executive Head, Head of School, SLT and staff members.

#### The Head of School

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

- Ensuring that an appropriate number of appointed persons and/or trained first aid personnel 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)

#### Staff

School staff are responsible for:

- Ensuring they follow first aid procedures
- Ensuring they know who the first aiders in school are
- Informing the Head of School or their line manager of any specific health conditions or first aid needs



#### 4. First aid procedures

#### 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 Head of School or an Assistant Head will contact parents immediately
- The first aider/relevant member of staff will complete an accident report form on the same day or as soon as is reasonably practical after an incident resulting in an injury; and log the information on CPOMS

## Off-site procedures

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

- A mobile phone
- A portable first aid kit
- Information about the specific medical needs of pupils
- Parents' or Carers' contact details

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

There will always be at least one first aider with a current first aid certificate on school trips and visits for pupils from Year 1 to 6; and at least one first aider with a current paediatric first aid on school trips and visits for pupils in EYFS as required by the statutory framework for the Early Years Foundation Stage.

### 5. First aid equipment

A first aid kit is available in each classroom. First aid kits can also be found in the main school office, the EYFS Nursery kitchen and EYFS Reception classrooms.

A typical first aid kit in our school will include the following:

- · A leaflet with general first aid advice
- Regular and large bandages
- Eve pad bandages



- Triangular bandages
- Adhesive tape
- Safety pins
- Disposable gloves
- Antiseptic wipes
- Plasters of assorted sizes
- Scissors
- Cold compresses
- Burns dressings

No medication is kept in first aid kits. Medication is stored in the main school office.

#### 6. Record-keeping and reporting

- An accident form will be completed by the first aider/relevant member of staff 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
- Accident forms and information will be uploaded onto Every.
- Records held 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.
- Information will also be logged on CPOMS.

#### Reporting to the HSE

The Site Facility Officer 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 Site Facility Assistant 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 scalping requiring hospital treatment
    - Any loss of consciousness caused by head injury or asphyxia
  - o Any other injury arising from working in an enclosed space which leads to hypothermia or heat-induced 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
    - o 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\_

# **Notifying parents**

The first aider, or relevant member of staff, will inform parents of any accident or injury sustained by a pupil, and any first aid treatment given, on the same day. This may be via a phone call or face to face at home time. In the event of an injury to the head or face, parents will be informed immediately.

# Reporting to Ofsted and child protection agencies

The Head of School 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 Head of School will also notify Hull Safeguarding Children's Partnership of any serious accident or injury to, or the death of, a pupil while in the school's care.

#### **Training**

All school staff are able to undertake first aid training. All Lunchtime Supervisors and Teaching Assistants must undertake first aid training. All staff working in EYFS must complete paediatric first aid training.

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. 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.

This policy will be reviewed every year.