

# **Health, Hygiene and Welfare Policy**

**The Davenport School**



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### **1. Personal Hygiene**

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It is hoped that Parents/Carers will discuss all aspects of personal hygiene with their child. Pupils should take pride in their appearance and be particularly aware of the need for personal freshness. There is a school uniform and children are expected to attend clean and well-presented ready for the school day.

### **2. Medication**

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If a pupil requires any form of medication, Parents/Carers should inform the school in writing. Any medicines brought to school will be locked away during the school day in the medical room medication cupboard. Medication will be administered in line with the school medication policy, there may be a situation whereby a child needs to have a specific medication with them at all times. At The Davenport School, no child will be deemed as competent to do this unless there is a clear written plan and agreement between the home/Foster Carer and school.

This plan must include a Risk Assessment around any possible risks to other pupils. This plan would form part of the pupil's Individual Health Plan, agreed by all parties, including the young person and the young person's Social Worker or Parent, if the young person is accommodated by the Local Authority under a voluntary agreement with the child's legal parents. If in the event a child requires a specific medication but is not competent to do so this will be securely stored by the teacher in class.

### **3. Immunisation**

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There is no longer a government programme for BCG (TB) vaccination. Placing authority or those with parental responsibility have been consulted and asked to give consent for Covid-19 immunisation programme

### **4. Nutrition**

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All pupils are provided with a hot meal (vegetarian options available) which is cooked and provided by Whole School Meals. The meals provided are in accordance with Governmental Guidance in terms of sugars, salts and nutritional content. Pupils are not allowed to bring in crisps, chocolate and sweets or fizzy drinks. If a pupil has a specific dietary requirement or food allergy, the school is to be informed immediately at the point of admission or diagnosis.

### **5. Appointments**

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If an appointment with the Dentist or Doctors occurs in school time, Parents/Carers should give advance notice by letter, email or via an appointment card. If a pupil is collected for an appointment during the school day, they must sign out at the office before they leave. Children who attend a regular health appointment are to notify the school of this appointment and how long this will be attended by the child.

## **6. PE**

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All pupils are expected to participate fully in PE, in exceptional cases where there is a medical problem, Parents/Carers should send a letter to the school requesting that the pupil be excused. If non-participation is likely to be long term i.e. for more than 2 weeks, a Doctor's note may need to be provided PE for Key Stage 3 pupils is undertaken at an offsite Sports Centre where there are appropriate changing and showering facilities available. PE for Key Stage 2 takes place at The Davenport School.