



## CHILDREN WITH MEDICAL NEEDS POLICY

<b>Audience</b>	All Governors, Parents, Staff
<b>Date for renewal/updates/review</b>	2019/2020 <i>as necessary</i>
<b>Named person responsible for monitoring</b>	Deputy Head i/c Welfare/SENCO
<b>Agreed by Quality Assurance Committee</b>	30 November 2017
<b>Ratified by Governors</b>	6 December 2017

Hampstead School's Policy underpins the school's ethos and has regard to the UN Convention of the Rights of the Child: Article 24: Every child has the right to the best possible health. It adheres to DfE guidance on "Support for pupils at school with Medical Conditions", "First Aid in Schools" and "Special Educational Needs (SEND) and disability code of practice: 0-25 years, 2014".

Our primary aim is to ensure that

- we minimise the disruption to normal schooling by continuing education as normally as the medical need allows
- training is put in place to help manage that need underpinned by the school's First Aid and Medicines Policy and Standard Operating Procedures.

We have a commitment to educating all our students. Key support in addition to parents and carers and welfare staff who support students with Medical Needs include the:

- Heads of Year
- School Nurse
- Education Social Worker
- Disability Coordinator (DESCO)
- Special Educational Needs or Disability Coordinator (SENDCO)
- Inclusion Team
- First Aiders

Where there is a medical diagnosis /prognosis that a student will be absent for a prolonged period or on numerous occasions, the Head of Year will co-ordinate the sending home of work.

1. This work will be despatched to the student within three school days after the school is informed of the student's absence.
2. This work will, as far as possible, reflect the broad and balanced nature of the school's curriculum. It will be appropriate and challenging for the student.
3. The school will provide access to assessments.

4. On return to school, a planned and individualised reintegration programme will be put in place.
5. The school will liaise with external bodies (awarding bodies), where appropriate, to ensure that the student is not disadvantaged by his/her absence.
6. The school will alert Camden LA to cases where a student is likely to be absent for a prolonged period where the LA may need to make special arrangements.

**Signed:**   
*Chair of Quality Assurance Committee*

**Date:** 6th Dec 2017