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We love, value and respect each other.

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Dear Parents,

Request to administer non-prescribed paracetamol

Following changes in legislation regarding the giving of non-prescribed medicine to children, schools are now able to hold a bottle of Paracetamol on site to use if a child needs it for pain relief. It makes sense to us to maximise our care of your children and minimise their time off school where possible. Strict procedures will be adhered to by the school and ultimately the consent remains with the Parents/Carers. Should you wish your child to have Paracetamol administered if needed during the school day, please continue to read the following information.

If your child becomes poorly and in a lot of pain then obviously we will contact you as usual. We do not wish to keep your child in school if they are ill or need medical attention.

Should your child develop a headache, slight temperature or a painful bump which continues after the usual care and attention, drinks of water and rest then we will consider giving them paracetamol under the following conditions:

- If we have your written consent (see below)
- If prior to 1pm and therefore within the minimum of four hours between doses of paracetamol, we will contact you to ask you to confirm that you give your permission and to confirm to us that your child had not already had Paracetamol or any medication containing paracetamol that day. Paracetamol will not be given by school without this confirmation.
- If after 1pm we will try to speak to you first before giving Paracetamol but if this is not possible then we will give your child the correct dose according to the directions on the bottle.
- If medicine is administered by a member of staff it will be logged on our usual records. We will send you a text message and your child will receive a medical slip recording the dosage and time the medicine was given.

With the above in mind, please can you complete the attached form and return to us as soon as possible. If we do not receive this from you, we will assume that you do not wish us to give your child paracetamol in school.

Yours sincerely

Maria Melia
Mrs M Melia





PERMISSION TO ADMINISTER NON-PRESCRIBED PARACETAMOL

I am happy for you to give my child paracetamol and I am confirming that:

- They have had paracetamol before and didn't have an allergic reaction to it
- They are not currently taking any medicines that would interact with paracetamol
- I will inform the school if they start any medicines which would interact with paracetamol

Parent/Carer Signature: _____ Date: _____

Relationship to Child: _____

Child's Name: _____

Class: _____

Date of Birth: _____