



'Asthma Friendly Schools' Use of Emergency Salbutamol Inhaler

Dear Parent/Carer,

Asthma is the most common long-term medical condition in children, with current prevalence rates being 1 in 11, or 2-3 children per class.

Having asthma has implications for a child's schooling and learning, but with appropriate asthma care in place both at home and at school that supports immediate safety as well as their long-term well-being, asthma can be well managed to minimise the impact on quality of life.

We are sending you this letter as we have been made aware that your child has asthma or requires the use of an inhaler, and in order to support our school to manage the needs of your child we supply emergency Salbutamol inhalers and spacer devices for use in school, **only** in the event that a child with an existing diagnosis of Asthma does not have access to their own inhaler.

In order for us to use the emergency inhaler kit in the event that their own inhaler is not available we require your consent. Can you please complete the written consent form below and return to school as soon as possible so that we may add this information to the School Asthma register.

I can confirm that my child has been diagnosed with asthma and supplied with an inhaler.

I can confirm that my child has been supplied with an inhaler but currently has NO asthma diagnosis.

I am aware that it is a responsibility for parent/carers to ensure that my child's own emergency inhaler is supplied to school, is in date and clearly labelled with their name for use in accordance with their Personalised Asthma Action Plan (PAAP) or schools Emergency Action pathway.

I give consent for school staff to utilise the schools emergency inhaler kit in the event my child should have an asthma attack and not have access to their own emergency inhaler and spacer.

Name of Child:

Date of Birth:

Class:

Parent/Carer Name (print):

Relationship to child:

Signature:

Inhaler dosage:puffs When to be administered:

Telephone contact number: 01254 698016

Should you want more information regards the use of emergency inhalers in schools or have any questions then please refer to national documents below, or contact school to discuss, thank you.

Children and Families Act (2014)

Supporting pupils at school with medical conditions (Dept. for Education, 2015)

Guidance on the use of emergency salbutamol inhalers in schools (Dept. of Health, 2015)