

Adrenaline Auto-Injectors (AAI) Storage in School

Dear Parents and Friends of Castle Hill,

During the recent heatwave, classroom temperatures exceeded 30°C at times. Although staff always take great care to keep AAI's out of direct sunlight and in the shade whenever we are outdoors, we are unable to control the ambient temperature, both inside and outside the setting.

Within the classroom, all AAI's are stored in a designated storage box and kept out of direct sunlight. However, despite these measures, we are unable to prevent temperatures from rising during periods of extreme heat.

As AAI's should be stored at room temperature and protected from prolonged exposure to high temperatures, this has highlighted a concern for us about maintaining the recommended storage conditions.

From September we would encourage parents and carers to consider providing a temperature-regulating pouch. While this is not a requirement, we feel it is a sensible additional precaution that may help to protect the medication during hot weather and to keep AAI's safe all year round.

There are many products on the market so please do your own research. One option we have identified is a temperature-regulating pouch such as the Breezy Basic. According to the manufacturer, it is designed to help keep medication within a safe temperature range throughout the day in hot weather and can accommodate two AAI's

https://breezypacks.com/?srsltid=AfmBOor6eUfo9wU5zc_8Oc97UyxSiB7-kiYEcyNH7XJTCoSsknTVAiMf



If you choose to purchase a pouch, please ensure it is large enough to hold two AAI's. You are, of course, welcome to choose any suitable temperature-regulating pouch.

Please be assured that we carry out weekly checks of all AAI's held at school. During these checks, we ensure that the devices are in good condition, within their expiry date, and that the viewing window shows a clear, colourless solution, as recommended by the manufacturer.

The safety and wellbeing of the children in our care is always our priority, and we hope this information is helpful as we all work together to ensure emergency medication is stored as safely as possible.

Thank you for your continued support

Kind regards
CHPS Team