The Meadows School



First Aid Policy

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1. Rationale

The Meadows School has assessed the need for first aid provision and has identified that **23** qualified first aiders are required for adequate cover for the number of staff and students at The Meadows School.

There are also **2** members of staff trained in 'First Aid in the Outdoors' to provide first aid to students during Forest School sessions. There is **2** members of staff in the swim team trained in 'STA Level 3 – Emergency First Aid in the Workplace' who are able to provide first aid to students, in the pool area and outside of swimming sessions.

There are 4 first aiders permanently based at Connor Road.

2. Location and Contents of First Aid Boxes

The First aid boxes are located in the following areas:

Connor Road Site:

- Reception
- Common Road
- Kitchen
- Room 5.6

Each First Aid box will contain the following:

- Guidance leaflet
- Alcohol free cleansing wipes
- Different-sized plasters
- Ice pack
- Gloves
- Triangular Bandage
- Bandages of different sizes
- Adhesive wound dressing 3 sizes
- Resuscitation face shield
- Eye wash (Forest School)
- Burns dressing (Forest School)
- Foil blanket

3. <u>Defibrillator</u>

The school has one Automated External Defibrillator (AED) located in the Main office. The regular maintenance of the equipment is the responsibility of the nominated member of the administration team with oversight from the School Business Manager. An AED is designed for use by all members of the

general public and those with associated training. The battery of the AED will be checked on a half-termly basis with a log being kept of this. (Appendix C)

4. Responsibilities

See Appendix A – copy of 'Incident Flow Chart' displayed within every work area

5. Appointed person

The School Business Manager is the appointed person and is responsible for overseeing the arrangements for first aid within the school.

The appointed person's duties include ensuring that:

- First aid equipment is available at strategic points in the school and checked/stocked on a fortnightly basis (Appendix B).
- A sufficient number of personnel are trained in first aid procedures at all times.
- All qualified first aiders carry a green lanyard.
- That first aid qualifications are, and remain, current (e.g., First Aid at Work Certificates are valid for 3 years).

6. First Aiders

The Meadows School's first aiders are expected to provide a level of basic first aid during school hours within the school and on school organised excursions.

If a student receives a bump to the head and receives first aid, the incident must be recorded on Medi Tracker. Additionally, a 'bump to the head' letter should be completed, and the student's parent or carer must be contacted.

It is the responsibility of the first aiders to ensure that any application of First Aid is recorded on Medi Tracker and verbally reported to the parent or carer, if necessary.

First aiders are also responsible for ensuring that an Accident/Incident Form is completed by a member of SLT for all accidents and incidents health and safety related.

A First Aid Room (Pastoral office) is identified for the treatment of incidents that require private care.

7. Class Teachers

Class teachers are to use their professional judgement as to whether a student needs a first aider or not in the event of an incident. All bump to the head incidents should be reviewed by a first aider. It is the responsibility of the class teacher to ensure that a copy of the first aid form if necessary is sent home to the parent or carer.

8. Record Keeping

It is the responsibility of the First Aider who has administered first aid to ensure Medi Tracker is up to date. Medi Tracker can be accessed at <u>Sign In with Autho</u>. All record keeping must contain the following information:

- The date, time, name of first aider, injury description, treatment given, teacher notified, and parent notified.
- It will be the responsibility of the Appointed Person to scrutinize such records for accuracy in notes/comments made reporting outcomes to The Premises and Health & Safety sub-committee as appropriate.

9. Monitoring and Review

- This policy will be monitored by the Appointed Person and reviewed in accordance with any new guidance given.
- The Premises and Health & Safety sub-committee will have the responsibility for ensuring this policy is formally evaluated annually or sooner if required.
- Additionally, the Head Teacher and Appointed Person will monitor all staff
 within the school to ensure they understand who the registered first aiders are
 and to outline their understanding of their roles and responsibilities associated
 with this through the Health & Safety learning walks undertaken each term
 throughout the school
- The chair of the Premises and Health & Safety sub-committee will additionally monitor the process undertaken during Health & Safety learning walks as part of their roles/responsibilities raising any queries in relation to daily practice with the Head Teacher of the school
- First Aiders will sign to state that they have read, understood and are willing to comply with this policy.
- This policy will form part of a period of induction of any staff member who is new to the school.

Appendix A **Incident Occurs** Staff Student **Check Welfare of** Individual **Call first Aider if** necessary No First First Aid First Aid No First Aid administered administered Aid Required Required First Aider to complete Medi **Tracker** Minor or No Injury Major Injury or First aider to call taken offsite for home if necessary medical treatment **Behaviour** – report on Sleuth Report to SLT Near Miss - report to ASAP, On the same **Bumped head** – First working day Aider to call home and complete and send letter via Medi Tracker SLT complete 'Accident and Incident Report' and Submit to LA

H&S team

SLT to report to HSE under RIDDOR if required

Appendix B

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE BOXES ARE FILLED TO CORRECT LEVELS STATED WITHIN THE BOX.

	FIRST AID BOX CHECK REGISTER 2025-26											
	MONTH											
Location	Sept	Oct	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul		
Common Room												
Reception												
Room 5.6												
Kitchen												

Appendix C

Defibrillator Battery Check Log						
Date Checked	By Who	Notes				
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