

Parents and Guardians

You can contact the school health team at any time to discuss concerns affecting your child's health.

You can find more information on www.nhschoices.gov

Comments, compliments and concerns
We welcome your comments, compliments or concerns—by listening to these we can make sure we are giving high quality care to you and others. Please contact our Patient Experience Team on 01423 555499 who can deal with any queries you may have.

If you have a complaint of any kind please talk first to the professional delivering your care who will try to sort it out for you. If this is not possible or you feel you want to take the matter further you can write to the Complaints Manager at the address below:

Harrogate District Hospital
Lancaster Park Road
Harrogate
HG2 7SX
www.hdft.nhs.uk

VACCINATIONS ARE VERY IMPORTANT TO PROTECT YOUR CHILD AGAINST SERIOUS DISEASES

Prior to starting school your child should have been offered pre school immunisations.



If this is still outstanding please contact your GP



KEEP YOUR HANDS CLEAN

Even though you can't see them, germs on your hands can quickly spread and make you ill.

Please ensure your child brushes their teeth at least twice a day and visits the dentist regularly



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**NORTH YORKSHIRE
HEALTHY CHILD PROGRAMME**
Growing up healthy in North Yorkshire



Information for Children Parents and Carers Primary Schools

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WELCOME TO OUR SCHOOL HEALTHY CHILD SERVICE

OUR TEAM

Specialist Community
Public Health Nurses
(SCPHNs);

Kathy Griffiths

Healthy Child

Nurses;

Tracey Ruddle,

Jacqui Harrington, Sam Collen

Assistant Practitioners;

Rachel Hatfield

Screening Technicians;

Joanne Harrison

and

Administrators.

Pat Keany

Sue Gentry

THE HEALTHY CHILD TEAM OFFERS

- Confidential health advice and support to children and families
- Height & Weight screening in reception and Year 6 as part of the NCMP programme.
- Vision and Hearing Screening in reception
- Support for health and well-being concerns which may be affecting the child emotionally, physically and any additional needs
- Advice on safeguarding children and young people
- Services for looked after children
- Individual support to children and families with special needs, their parents and carer

We can give advice and support on:

- Exercise and healthy eating
- Health conditions—asthma, diabetes, epilepsy, allergies
- Emotional health and well being
- Personal hygiene
- Self esteem

The Health Child Service links health, education and social care to improve the health of all children 5—19 and plays an important role by working with school and families to address the health and special educational needs of children and young people.

We work with parents, carers, teaching staff and other agencies to give confidential health advice and support to children, young people and families.

Liaison with and referrals to other professionals can be made by the school team where appropriate.

All of the information you tell us will remain confidential however, if we become aware of any concerns regarding your child's safety we have a professional and legal duty to share any necessary information with the relevant agencies

If you need any support from the
Healthy Child Team please contact
us on [01423 557711](tel:01423557711)