

We have adjusted our safe working arrangements for first aid in school during the COVID-19 pandemic. These adjustments are to protect both pupils and staff.

Much of this guidance comes from St John Ambulance, the Resuscitation Council UK and Health and Safety executive, who's guidance may change with current developments.

It is unlikely that your child will need first aid while in school but should they need first aid please be aware of the following changes to our first aid policy

- With minor injuries, such as a cut, pupils will be directed what to do and passed the items that they need. The first aider will stand at a distance to observe and advise. Appropriate PPE may be worn by the first aider(s).
- If we have permission from parents to administer medicine such as paracetamol, antihistamines or any prescribed medicines these will be passed to pupils. The first aider will stand at a distance to observe and advise. Please ensure that you have completed the medical consent form shared via Parent mail. Without this we are unable to administer any medicine. Verbal consent cannot be given. Appropriate PPE may be worn by the first aider(s).
- Current advice is to not perform rescue breaths on a casualty should they stop breathing. CPR will be carried out as advised by St John Ambulance and an ambulance called. Appropriate PPE will be worn by the first aider(s).
- Should your child display symptoms of Covid-19 during their allotted school day they will be moved to a separate, pre-identified room. Parents will be called to collect their child. The first aider will monitor your child until your arrival. Appropriate PPE will be worn by the first aider(s).