

## First Aid at CHHS

Mrs Leach is our dedicated First Aider in school, the First Aid room is manned from 9.30 am to 3.00pm each day. Many other staff in school are also first aid trained including some Heads of Year.

At CHHS we compile a list of students which details all emergency medical conditions that we have been made aware of. This is updated throughout the year and distributed to all staff.

**Medication** - We are happy to store and administer medication for students while they are school. We need written consent to allow us to do this. This can be a consent form which we can send home, a note in the student's planner or an email to Mrs Leach in First Aid (staff.leachc@chhs.org.uk). Please also copy in your child's Head of Year. If you are sending medication into school for your son/daughter, please ensure that it is labelled.

**Paracetamol** – It is the school policy that we will administer paracetamol to students in school should the need arise. We will always call home for permission and it will be given according to NHS dosage guidance which has recently changed and is as follows:

Children aged 10-12 – 1 x 500mg tablet or 10ml Calpol 6+

Children aged 12-16 - 1 ½ x 500mg tablet or 15ml Calpol 6+

Children aged 16+ - 2 x 500mg paracetamol

Only one dose will be administered during the school day.

Should your son/daughter require regular pain relief for a medical condition we would ask that the medication is provided to the school along with written consent/instruction.

**Asthma** – In line with guidance from the Department of Health, Cheadle Hulme High School will keep emergency salbutamol inhalers and spacers for use by students who have

- Been diagnosed with asthma and prescribed a reliever inhaler

OR

- Been prescribed a reliever inhaler

AND

- For whom written parental consent for use of an emergency inhaler has been obtained

The emergency inhalers are to be used if a student's prescribed inhaler is not available, broken or empty. They are not intended to be used as a replacement for a student's own medication and students must ensure they have their own medication with them in school at all times.

**Sending students home** – We will never send a student home unwell without firstly speaking to a parent/carer or one of the named contacts on our system. We would always check how the student will be travelling home before signing them out of school.

Students must never contact home regarding illness. They must always see our First Aider or their Head of Year. Students must always sign out at the 'Hole in the Wall' before leaving school with their parent/carer.