



KINTBURY ST. MARY'S
CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Our Christian values of hope, friendship and respect support our caring ethos. With our rich and diverse curriculum these underpin our belief that everyone in our school community can develop a sense of self and understanding of their place in our world in order to achieve and flourish throughout life.

'Love thy neighbour as thyself' Luke 10:25-37

Children with health needs who cannot attend school policy

Approved by: The Governing Body

Date: 22.4.36

Last Review date: Spring 2025

Next Review date: Spring 2027

1. Aims

This policy aims to ensure that:

- Suitable education is arranged for pupils on roll who cannot attend school due to health needs
- Pupils, staff and parents understand what the school is responsible for when this education is being provided by the local authority

2. Legislation and guidance

This policy reflects the requirements of the [Education Act 1996](#).

This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

3. The responsibilities of the school

3.1 If the school makes arrangements

Initially, the school will attempt to make arrangements to deliver suitable education for children with health needs who cannot attend school.

- The Headteacher in conjunction with the SENCO will be responsible for making and monitoring these arrangements
- The Headteacher/SENCO will ensure that the child has access to remote learning either via Google Classrooms/work set/working with the home/hospital service
- The Headteacher/SENCO and the Class teacher will contact the parents to outline arrangements and expectations
- On returning to school, the Headteacher/SENCO will contact the parent to plan for a reintegration meeting to enable a smooth transition from home/hospital to school. This may involve a reduced timetable, early /later start etc.

If the school is unable to make suitable arrangements, West Berkshire Local Authority will become responsible for arranging suitable education for these children.

The Headteacher/SENCO will contact the local authority to confirm details, such as number of permitted days of absence, reintegration proposals etc.

In cases where the local authority makes the arrangements, the school will:

- Work constructively with the local authority, providers, relevant agencies, and parents to ensure the best outcomes for the pupil
- Share information with the local authority and relevant health services as required
- Help make sure that the provision offered to the pupil is as effective as possible and that the child can be reintegrated back into school successfully
- When reintegration is anticipated, work with the local authority to:

- Plan for consistent provision during and after the period of education outside the school, allowing the pupil to access the same curriculum and materials that they would have used in school as far as possible
- Enable the pupil to stay in touch with school life (e.g., through newsletters, emails, invitations to school events or internet links to lessons from their school)
- Create individually tailored reintegration plans for each child returning to school
- Consider whether any reasonable adjustments need to be made

4. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by the Headteacher/SENCO

At every review, it will be approved by the full governing board.

5. Links to other policies

This policy links to the following policies:

- Accessibility plan
- First aid and Supporting pupils with medical conditions
- Safeguarding
- Equality