



## **Children with Health Needs** **Who Cannot Attend School**

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### **Mission Statement**

We are committed to providing a supportive, enjoyable and family style environment in which every child is nurtured and encouraged to achieve their potential through a broad-based curriculum and opportunities for developing sporting, dramatic, artistic and musical talents.

### **Statement of Aims & Objectives**

- To enable each child to fulfil their own academic and personal potential.
- To instil in every child the importance of developing personal initiative and to foster in them a belief that they can fulfil their potential in any area of school life.
- To provide a broad based academic and extra-curricular education that is delivered in such a way as to satisfy the learning needs of each and every pupil.
- To help each pupil to develop both a set of values and an understanding and appreciation of other religious beliefs.
- To learn the difference between right and wrong and to appreciate that rights and responsibilities are equally balanced.
- To develop and promote a sense of caring and community between the pupils within the school and the wider community as a whole.
- To instil in each pupil a high degree of self-respect and respect for their fellow pupils, teachers and other adults.
- To prepare each child for the transition to the next stage of their education and to be able to take advantage of any opportunities as they present themselves.

### **Safeguarding**

Oakhurst Grange School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. At this school we respect and value all children and are committed to providing a caring, friendly and safe environment for our pupils so that they can learn in a relaxed and secure atmosphere. We believe that every pupil should be able to participate in all school activities in an enjoyable and safe environment and be protected from harm. This is the responsibility of every adult employed by, or invited to deliver services at Oakhurst Grange School. We recognise our responsibility to safeguard all who access school and promote the welfare of all of our pupils by protecting them from physical, sexual and emotional abuse, neglect and bullying. This should be read in conjunction with the Safeguarding Policy.

All staff will be asked to complete training annually following KCSIE updates. Further safeguard training will take place throughout the year. All staff must wear their lanyards at all times.

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## **1. Aims**

At Oakhyrst Grange School, we aim to create a happy, caring environment in which children develop self-confidence and independence and are encouraged to be considerate and show respect for others, while reaching their true potential. We understand that there may be occasions in which pupils are unable to attend the school for health reasons and as such we will continue to support individuals academically and pastorally.

This policy aims to ensure that:

- Suitable education is arranged for pupils on roll who cannot attend school due to health needs.

## **2. Legislation and guidance**

This policy reflects the requirements of the Education Act 1996 and the DFE statutory guidance, <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/education-for-children-with-health-needs-who-cannot-attend-school>

## **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 Form Teacher will have the overall responsibility for monitoring that work is set through online means and by paper packs (as required). Zoom arrangements are also made to keep in touch.
- Parents and Children will be consulted about these arrangements in consultation with the Headteacher, Deputy and Lead First Aider.
- Once the pupil is ready to reintegrate back into school an ongoing dialogue will continue with the parents', Headteacher, Deputy and First Aid Lead to ensure that this is managed appropriately.

We will:

- 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

### **3.2 If the local authority makes arrangements**

If the school can't make suitable arrangements, Surrey County Council will become responsible for arranging suitable education for these children. (Children of school age)

In cases where the local authority makes 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

#### **4. Monitoring arrangements**

This policy will be reviewed annually by SLT. 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
- Medical and First Aid Policy

This Policy is subject to regular review.