



# Asthma Policy

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## Asthma Policy

We recognise asthma is an important condition that affects many children. In order to care for a child who has asthma and we have put together the following policy and procedure.

We will:

- Encourage and help children with asthma to participate fully in activities.
- Ensure children have immediate access to reliever inhalers.
- Ensure the environment is favourable to children with asthma by not using aerosols or sprays within the rooms children are in.
- Ensure other children in our care understand that asthma can be serious.
- Ensure staff are aware of what to do if a child has an asthma attack to protect the child's welfare in the event of an emergency.
- Work with parents of children with asthma to ensure that their children are in a safe and caring environment.

We ask parents to tell us about their child's asthma symptoms, how to recognise when their symptoms are getting worse and how to help them take their reliever medicine. This will be recorded on the child's personal record form.

At Lilly Brook Pre-School we request an inhaler be provided in a named box prescribed by doctor to keep at the setting, in case the child forgets to bring it back with them.

Please let us know if your child needs to be reminded to take their inhaler and if they need to do it privately (we appreciate that some children are shy about taking their medication in front of others)

We will always inform parents if their child has experienced asthma symptoms and had to use their reliever medicine.

We need parents to provide written information detailing:

- What asthma medicines the child takes and when
- What triggers the child's asthma and what to do if the child's asthma gets worse?
- Emergency contact details

We will ensure any spare medicines stored by at Lilly Brook pre-school are labelled and have not passed their expiry date.

Thanks to [www.asthma.org.uk](http://www.asthma.org.uk) for the information provided on their website when writing this policy.