



INTRODUCTION:

The policy outlined below is a result of whole school staff discussions. The school nurse was also involved and worked with the staff, giving advice and guidance where necessary. It has been implemented within the school. All staff, parents and children are made aware of the procedures.

AIMS:

By having an agreed whole school policy it is hoped that everyone is more aware of what asthma is and how it is to be dealt with.

STATEMENT:

St Stephen's C of E Primary School and Children's Centre welcomes children with asthma and aims to fulfil the following:

- Encourage and help children with asthma to participate fully in all aspects of school life.
- Recognise that asthma is an important condition affecting many of our children.
- Recognise that immediate access to inhalers is vital.
- Do all it can to ensure that the school environment is favourable to children with asthma.
- Ensure that other children understand asthma so that they can support their friends; and so that children with asthma can avoid the stigma sometimes attached to this condition.
- Ensure that everyone has a clear understanding of what to do in the event of an asthma attack.
- Ensure regular training with parents, school governors, school staff, health professionals and children to ensure the successful implementation of this school asthma policy.

AT ST STEPHEN'S:

All those who have asthma, have access to their inhalers.

The school and children's centre only administer the reliever inhaler (blue inhaler). The preventative inhaler (brown inhaler) cannot be administered by school or children's centre staff. If your child requires the preventative inhaler during the

school day, parents must attend the school or children's centre and administer it themselves.

They are clearly labelled and kept in the staff room for use as and when needed.

There is an updated class register, identifying those children with asthma and also the medication required.

Agreed by Governors
(Chair Signature): _____

Policy Due for Review: March 2016