



Weobley Schools' Federation

Children with Health Needs Who Cannot Attend School Policy

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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](#).

It also based on guidance provided by our local authority

<https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/downloads/file/5759/draft-policy-on-education-for-children-with-health-needs>

3. The responsibilities of the school

3.1 If the school makes arrangements

Weobley High School

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

- The Pastoral Team will be responsible for making and monitoring these arrangements
- Work will be provided via Google Classroom
- Frequent liaison with parents to review and update plan
- A phased re-integration into school

Weobley Primary School

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

- The Head of School will be responsible for making and monitoring these arrangements
- Work will be provided in the form of worksheets / work packs supported by additional uploads on Microsoft Teams
- Frequent liaison between parents, the pupil and the class teacher to review and update the learning plan
- A phased re-integration into school

3.2 If the local authority makes arrangements

If the school can't make suitable arrangements, Herefordshire council will become responsible for arranging suitable education for these children.

H3 (Hub, Home, Hospital) Teaching Team provides an education for children who are unable to attend school because of physical health or mental health needs. The service is commissioned by the host school and requires a referral from a Paediatric Consultant or a Consultant from Children and Adolescent Mental Health Service (CAMHs).

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
- 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 Rachel Day SENDCO (Weobley High School) and Stephen Warrell, Head of School (Weobley Primary School). 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
- Supporting pupils with medical conditions
- https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/277025/draft_statutory_guidance_on_supporting_pupils_at_school_with_medical_conditions_for_consultation.pdf

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