

BROOMHILL BANK SCHOOL RESIDENTIAL



CARE OF BOARDERS WHO ARE UNWELL, INCLUDING FIRST AID, CARE OF THOSE WITH CHRONIC CONDITIONS AND DISABILITIES, DEALING WITH MEDICAL EMERGENCIES AND THE USE OF HOUSEHOLD REMEDIES POLICY

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Residential students who are unwell

Broomhill Bank recognises that whilst residing at the school there are occasions when a child may become unwell.

As part of the documentation when entering boarding there is a specific form to give permission for household medications to be administered in the case of a headache or mild fever.

If a child becomes unwell staff must ensure they are aware of all medical conditions and any medication they are taking.

Staff must communicate with parents and the child in all cases.

If a child seems to be suffering from a minor illness staff may discuss with both the child and parent who can decide whether it is appropriate to return home or to take a household remedy and rest in the school boarding area.

If this is considered an appropriate option staff must monitor the child frequently ensuring they are warm and comfortable, have sufficient fluids and food and contact the parents to keep them up to date.

Should the child suffer sickness they must return home as soon as a parent or carer is available for them. They must wait 48 hours prior to their return to school.

If children have a temperature, fever or rash they must return home for medical attention.

Should a child become too ill to travel the emergency medical services must be contacted along with parent /carer and Head of Care.

Should a child be suffering with a mental illness appropriate support and guidance will be gained from a mental health specialist. For ongoing mental health support there will be a plan created with the appropriate agencies to ensure we are working together to manage the need of the young person.

Should a child require emergency hospital treatment due to being physical or mentally unwell a member of staff will accompany them taking copies of their medication prescribed and meet their parents/carers at the hospital.

For children with chronic illnesses an independent health care plan will be made with appropriate agency input

The Head of Care must be informed.