

Children with health needs who cannot attend school policy

Moorbrook School



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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/carers understand what our school is responsible for when education is being provided by the local authority (LA)

2. Legislation and guidance

This policy is based on the following legislation:

- [The Education Act 1996](#)
- [The Education \(Pupil Registration\) \(England\) Regulations 2006](#)

It is also based on the following statutory guidance from the Department for Education (DfE):

- [Alternative provision](#)
- [Education for children with health needs who cannot attend school](#)

This policy also follows guidance provided by our local authority.

3. Responsibilities of the school

3.1 If our school makes the arrangements

Initially, the school will attempt to make arrangements to deliver suitable education for children with health needs who cannot attend school. The keyworker or Keystage leader will be responsible for making these arrangements in discussion with parents/carers and the Headteacher. This could be in work pack form, online learning or remote teaching. We may also be able to provide home visit dependent on individual pupil funding and staffing levels. Each week the keyworker will monitor how the pupil is accessing the learning, teachers will monitor the work and progress. Together school and the parent can plan for re integration to school when suitable.

If the school can't make suitable arrangements, Lancashire county council have provision for health needs. The school will be responsible for informing the local authority of the change in need. The Inclusion service would be part of the decision on the best way to meet a pupils current needs using the EHCP review process.

4. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by Claire Thompson, Headteacher. 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