



Wycliffe Church of England Primary School

Pupils who have health needs which prevent them from attending school policy



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Vision Statement

We nurture an aspirational family of hard-working, respectful individuals who work collaboratively to have a lifelong love of learning.

“Life in all its fullness” (John 10:10)

Our vision is to ensure that our school family are happy and fulfilled in a creative learning environment. This is flexible and caters to individual needs while developing a life-long love for learning through which all members can flourish. We nurture an aspirational family of hard-working, respectful individuals who work collaboratively.

We endeavour to value all God’s children.

Aims

Wycliffe CE Primary School aims to support all children who are unable to attend school due to health needs, and who would not receive suitable education without such provision, to continue to have access to as much education as their medical condition allows, so as to enable them to reach their full potential. Due to the nature of their health needs, some children may be admitted to hospital or placed in alternative forms of education provision. We recognise that, whenever possible, pupils should receive their education within their school. The aim of the provision should always be to reintegrate pupils back into school as soon as they are well enough. We understand that we have a vital and continuing role in a pupil’s education whilst that pupil is not attending school. We will work with the local authority, healthcare partners and families to ensure that all children with health needs receive the right level of support to enable them to maintain links with their education.

Named people responsible for policy’s implementation: DHT/SENDCo: C. Holdsworth

In Bradford the service for pupils with such health needs, is run by the Medical Needs and Hospital Education Service, 21 Owlet Road, Shipley, BD18 2LU - Telephone 01274 582995, Ward 17 at Airedale Hospital and Ward 30 and 32 at BRI Hospital.

This provision is available for all children of compulsory school age residing in the Bradford local authority area, who cannot attend school because of illness and health needs. The Local Authority is responsible for arranging suitable education for these pupils who would not otherwise have a suitable education.

There is a clear and specific pathway of referral for pupils who have health/medical issues that cause them to be absent from school for 15 days or more.

More information about the Medical Needs and Hospital Education Service can be found on Bradford Schools Online. This includes the referral process, the educational offer, the structure and their policies.

<https://bso.bradford.gov.uk/content/medical-needs-and-hospital-education-service>