



# **PROCEDURE FOR DEALING WITH A PUPIL WHO IS ILL**

## **(Senior and Junior Schools)**

(This policy is available on the website or on request)

When a pupil is feeling unwell, at school, he should always be accompanied to the health centre by a member of staff or another pupil.

If it would seem unwise to move the pupil because he feels faint or dizzy the school nurse on duty should be contacted to assess him before taking him to the health centre.

The school nurse on duty will assess the pupil's condition and will either:-

1. treat his complaint as appropriate and he will return to school
2. admit him to the sickbay for observation and rest and if appropriate treat his complaint until he is well enough to return to school.
3. contact his parents or guardian so that he can be taken home or for medical advice.

Parents of pupils who are suffering from Diarrhoea and Vomiting will be notified of the 48 hour exclusion period as advised by the Health Protection Agency.

The School Nurse will inform the Health Protection Agency of any notifiable illnesses/conditions or possible epidemics.

If the pupil is in sickbay or is sent home the school secretary is informed so that she can notify all relevant teaching staff and enter his name in the signing out book.

Specific procedures apply for pupils with asthma, diabetes, acute allergic reaction and seizures which are detailed in the "medical information for staff" notebook.