



Family Nursing  
& Home Care

# The School Nursing Team



## **Who we are:**

We are a friendly team based at Le Bas Centre, St Helier. We are part of the Child and Family Division at Family Nursing & Home Care.

We provide health services for children aged 5 to 19 years. We work in partnership with families, carers and other professionals. We will work within the setting which is most appropriate for your child and family.

This may be in your child's school, at home, in clinic or somewhere you choose.

## **Our Vision:**

We aim to make a difference by investing in children, young people and families to stay healthy, be safe, achieve, contribute and enjoy life.

## **The role of the school nurse:**

As a team, we contribute to the reduction in health inequalities and promoting social inclusion. We do this by:

- working in partnership to improve the health outcomes of children and young people, and safeguard them
- providing a service that is child and family centred
- offering support and involvement in line with The Healthy Child Programme
- working with other agencies to support children and young people with emotional health and wellbeing

## **During your child's first year at school:**

All parents and guardians will receive a school entry health questionnaire, for their child when they start school.

Please complete and return this as directed.

The School Nurse will review the questionnaire, and if there are any needs identified, we will contact you. Alternatively, you can contact the School Nurse team directly.

The School Nurse Assistants will attend school on a pre-arranged day, to check height, weight, and hearing of all Reception children, with parental consent.

Parents/guardians will be notified of the results.

## **What can the School Nurse help you with?**

Each school will have an identified Nurse and Nursing Assistant. They will support you with the following:

- provide specialist care and advice for daytime continence, bedwetting and/or constipation
- carry out a Health and Wellbeing assessment to identify any unmet health needs
- review your child's height and weight again when they reach Year Six and offer support if needed
- assess your child's health, working in partnership with other professionals in health and education to meet the needs of your child

## **Children with Complex Medical Needs:**

School Nurses are integral to ensuring appropriate care is provided for children and young people with special health requirements within the school environment, whether this is mainstream or special school.

This includes:

- providing a link between home and school
- assisting with the implementation of care plans for children and young people with specific health conditions, to support them to attend school

- supporting school staff in the management of health issues
- encouraging inclusive education, particularly on sensitive issues such as sexual health
- supporting and advising on the development of school policies relating to safe storage and administration of medicines in schools, for example, managing EpiPen use in schools

### **More information:**

Please visit [www.fnhc.org.je](http://www.fnhc.org.je) for more information about the School Nurse team and announcements.

You can also follow Family Nursing & Home Care on social media by searching for us on Twitter, LinkedIn, Facebook and Instagram.

Family Nursing & Home Care is a Jersey Charity. We raise money through donations, fundraising activities and legacies and we are contracted by the Government of Jersey for the provision of services. Our ethos is to help islanders start well, live well and age well.

Kindness is a priority: to our patients, clients, partners and each other.

Our nurses and colleagues work with islanders to understand their needs, applying our expertise to deliver the best possible care with dignity at the core of our service.

We have the courage to do things differently and strive to provide innovation and new levels of care to the community

June 2022