

Moomba Park Primary School

First Aid Policy



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All children have the right to feel safe and well, and know that they will be attended to with due care when in need of first aid.

The school has procedures for supporting student health for students with identified health needs (see Care Arrangements for Ill Students Policy) and will provide a basic first aid response as set out in the procedure below to ill or injured students due to unforeseen circumstances and requiring emergency assistance.

These procedures have been communicated to all staff and are available for reference from the school office.

PURPOSE

To ensure the school community understands our school's approach to first aid for students.

SCOPE

First aid for anaphylaxis and asthma are provided for in our school's:

- *Anaphylaxis Policy*
- *Asthma Policy*

POLICY

From time to time Moomba Park Primary School staff might need to administer first aid to students at school or school activities.

Parents/carers should be aware that the goal of first aid is not to diagnose or treat a condition.

Staffing

The principal will ensure that Moomba Park Primary School has sufficient staff with the appropriate levels of first aid training to meet the first aid needs of the school community.

Moomba Park Primary School's trained first aid officers are:

July 2019 - Rachael Marsland

February 2018:

Adam Aziz

Kate Christoff

Angela Barr

Abby Croft

James Crotti

Marie Fordred

Penny Georgiou

Tracy Gertdz

Maria Marchionna

Cloe Milonopoulos

Sarah Patterson

Charlotte Powell

Allison Simmonds

First aid kits

Moomba Park Primary School will maintain:

- A major first aid kit which will be stored in Sick Bay
- 5 portable first aid kits which may be used for excursions, camps, or yard duty. The portable first aid will be stored
- Yard Duty Kits stored in First Aid room
- Excursion/Camp Kits located in Security room

First Aid Officer will be responsible for maintaining all first aid kits.

Care for ill students

Students who are unwell should not attend school.

If a student becomes unwell during the school day they may be directed sick bay and monitored by staff. Depending on the nature of their symptoms, staff may contact parents/carers or an emergency contact person to ask them to collect the student.

First aid management

If there is a situation or incident which occurs at school or a school activity which requires first aid to be administered to a student:

- Staff who have been trained in first aid will administer first aid in accordance with their training. In an emergency situation, other staff may assist in the administration of first aid within their level of competence.
- In a medical emergency, staff may take emergency action and do not need to obtain parent/carers consent to do so. Staff may contact Triple Zero "000" for emergency medical services at any time.
- Staff may also contact NURSE-ON-CALL (on 1300 60 60 24) in an emergency. NURSE-ON-CALL provides immediate, expert health advice from a registered nurse and is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

- If first aid is administered for a minor injury or condition, Moomba Park Primary School will notify parents/carers by sending a note home to parents/carers and or phone call.
- All students who come to sick bay with a knock to the head, will have their parents contacted by phone and a sticker alerting staff worn by student.
- If first aid is administered for a serious injury or condition, or in an emergency situation, school staff will attempt to contact parents/carers or emergency contacts as soon as reasonably practical.
- If staff providing first aid determine that an emergency response is not required but that medical advice is needed, school staff will ask parents/carers, or an emergency contact person, to collect the student and recommend that advice is sought from a medical practitioner.
- Whenever first aid treatment has been administered to a student Moomba Park Primary School will:
 - record the incident on CASES21
 - if first aid was administered in a medical emergency, report the incident to the Department's Security Services Unit on 03 9859 6266.

In accordance with guidance from the Department of Education and Training, analgesics, including paracetamol and aspirin, will not be stored at school or provided as a standard first aid treatments. This is because they can mask signs of serious illness or injury.

FURTHER INFORMATION AND RESOURCES

REVIEW CYCLE

This policy was last updated on June 2019 and is scheduled for review in February 2022