

CALPOL POLICY

Emergency Medication

In some certain circumstances it maybe possible for your child to need 'emergency medication', such as paracetamol (Calpol) to help bring their high temperature (37.8 or above) down.

High temperatures in children can be dangerous and can develop into febrile convulsions.

If this is the case nursery will have some emergency medication on site.

This medication will only be administered once consent has been gained from the parents/carers via telephone call, the parent/carer must then sign a medication form on collection of their child. The member of staff will document the dose and time given as per the instructions on the bottle and be signed by more than one member of staff.

The child will then be monitored for the next 2 hours, and if the temperature is not brought down then the parents/carers will be called again to collect their child.

Administering 'emergency' non-prescription medication will be a last resort and the nursery staff will use other methods first to try and alleviate the symptoms. The child will be closely monitored until the parents collect the child.

