



# William Shrewsbury Primary School

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## **SCHOOL ASTHMA CARD**

Dear Parent/Carer

As part of accepted good practice and with advice from Asthma UK and the DfE, we are asking Parents/Carers of children with asthma, who require us to hold an inhaler in school for their use, to fill in a school asthma card so we can record them on our Asthma Register. **We are unable to hold inhalers in school if this information is not provided.**

The completed card stores important details about your child's current medication, triggers, individual symptoms and emergency contact numbers. The card will help school staff to better understand your child's individual condition. If you think we need more in-depth information please inform us and we will ensure the information is incorporated into an individual Health Care Plan. **Inhalers must be given into the office** in the original packaging with the dispensing pharmacist's instructions clearly visible. Inhalers and spacer must be clearly labelled with your child's name and class.

To ensure the information we hold is current, we will ask you to complete a new card each year or if there are any changes in treatment.

The Department of Health have issued guidance on the use of emergency inhalers in schools. This guidance allows us to hold a salbutamol (Ventolin) inhaler in school for use if a child does not have their own for some reason or it does not work. We will inform you if your child has used this facility. If you are happy for your child to use this in an emergency, please complete the consent form on the back of the asthma card.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Many thanks for the prompt return of these forms.

Louise Salt  
(Assistant SENCo)