



Junior School Medical and Dental

A full pupil Health History Form should have been returned after completion of the school contract. However, you are asked to ensure that the following are sent to the School two weeks before term begins:

- Information regarding any serious illness, injury or allergy occurring during the holidays. This should be sent to the Healthcare Manager at the beginning of the next term to ensure continuity of care.
- Information regarding any infectious disease your child has been in contact with during the holidays. Your child should not be sent back to School until permission has been obtained from the Healthcare Centre. Please see below for a separate note about the prevention of infectious diseases.

The admission or retention in the School of any child is conditional on acceptance of the following throughout the pupil's time at School.

Registration

In order that the best use is made of the facilities and services provided under the National Health Service, all boarding pupils must be registered with the school's local medical practice. Day pupils should register themselves locally. Students can attend their own GP when at home using a temporary registration form.

Pupils entering the UK on a Child Student Visa will be granted access to the National Health Service (NHS) as part of their application and will be registered with our local medical practice. The few pupils entering the UK for less than six months will be able to access NHS treatment through holding an EHIC (European Health Insurance Card) or a GHIC (Global Health Insurance Card). The school requires a copy of this card so they can be registered with our local medical practice. Short term pupils from outside of the EU will normally be required to hold private medical insurance. Please see the Visa Information Sheet for further guidance.

Healthcare Centre

Gordonstoun Healthcare Centre has staff available 24 hours a day along with treatment rooms and resting beds for those who need overnight observation and care.

Consent to Treatment

If a pupil requires special medical treatment every effort will be made to obtain the prior consent of the parent or guardian of the pupil concerned. Should this be impossible in the time available, the Head of the Junior School (or in their absence the Assistant Head Pastoral or Academic), acting in loco parentis, is authorised to give consent to such treatment (including anaesthetic or operation).



Medications

The school should be informed if a pupil is receiving medicine at home by email to juniorschool@gordonstoun.org.uk or by handwritten note to the office. It is most important that we are notified when you give your child Paracetamol or other medicine before they come into school. If we think that medicine should be given to your child while they are in school, we shall phone you to prevent the risk of overdosing.

In addition, if your child needs to take prescribed medicine during the day, please hand it to the Day Pupil Co-ordinator, ensuring that it is clearly named and with the dose required clearly stated.

Parents of boarding pupils must complete and return the Health Registration form and provide all relevant health information including any medication required. The School must be fully aware of any medical information.

Medical Insurance

The school does not offer a private medical insurance plan but parents may arrange their own, if they so wish.

Minor Accidents

From time to time, a pupil may receive an injury in School which parents should know about. In such cases, Matron will contact you and explain the nature of the injury, the treatment given, and if any further action needs to be taken.

Mouth Guards

All Junior School pupils will play rugby and/or hockey at some stage during their time at the school and must have a mouth guard and it is **mandatory** for all pupils involved in Rugby and Hockey to wear mouth guards in practices and, of course, matches. This is a prudent precaution which we would ask you to support and reinforce with your child.

We are aware that there are a number of alternatives available and realise that many of you may wish to make your own arrangements. However, we have set up an online shop with [Grays Teamsports](#) where mouth guards and other optional sports equipment, as detailed in the [Uniform List](#), can be ordered.

Orthodontic Appointments, Routine Dental Care and Eye Tests

This must be attended to during the **holidays**, wherever possible, and parents are asked to make suitable appointments well in advance with their own dentists. Leave will not normally be given during term for routine visits to the dentist or optician. Costs for travel and staff support for travel to specialist appointments/orthodontic and routine dental care will be added to the pupil's school account.

Prevention of Infectious Diseases

The NHS provides routine vaccinations as per Scotland's National Health Service information – see immunisationscotland.org.uk for further details. Your child will be asked to attend these vaccinations according to which vaccination is being administered, their vaccination history and the consents you provide for the School.

The Flu vaccine is offered to all pupils in the winter term. This is administered to the Junior School by the Moray immunisation team and is free of charge for pupils under 12. There is a charge for the vaccine, which will be added to your school account, if your child is 12 or over.

Specialist Appointments

To prevent disruption of school activities, only urgent specialist appointments can be made during term. Non-urgent conditions should be dealt with during the holidays by your own local GP/specialist.

If you have any queries on medical matters, please feel free to contact the Healthcare Manager on healthcare@gordonstoun.org.uk

