As part of our ongoing commitment to protecting the welfare of all children at St Marks Pre-school we will administer Calpol or Nurofen as part of our first aid response to managing a high temperature in a child.

High temperatures in young children can lead to febrile convulsions; these are triggered by the body temperature rising rapidly above 38c.

At St Marks Pre-school it is not our policy to care for sick children, who should be at home until they are well enough to return to pre-school. If the pre-school must administer Calpol for 2 consecutive days or Nurofen for more than 1 day, the pre-school reserves the right to refuse admittance and request parents seeks a GP appointment.

Each time Calpol/Nurofen is given, the pre-school procedure for administering medication will be adhered to.

Calpol/Nurofen will only be administered to children who have a low grade or high temperature (to prevent febrile convulsions) unless in exceptional circumstances and with parental consent. We will always try to contact a parent/guardian on the phone to advise them we have to administer Calpol/Nurofen to their child.

C	F	What this means	What to do
36-37.2	96.8-99.0	Normal temperature	No action required.
37.4-37.8	99.3-110.1	Low grade fever	Monitor every 10 minutes over 30 minutes. Consider how child is presenting additionally to temperature. Contact parents, administer Calpol/Nurofen. Child must be collected within an hour.
38-39.9	110.4-103.3	High fever	Administer Calpol or Nurofen, contact parents to request immediate collection.

Calpol will be administered as per the guidelines set out by Calpol as per the age of the child

Child's age	How much - up to 4 times a day
2-4 years	7.5ml
4-6 years	10 ml

Nurofen will be administered as per the guidelines set out by Nurofen as per the age of the child. PLEASE NOTE THAT IF YOUR CHILD SUFFERS WITH ASTHMA IT IS NOT ADVISED THAT NUROFEN IS GIVEN.

Child's age	How much -up to 3 times in 24 hours
1-3 years	5mls max 3 times in 24 hours
4-6 years	7.5ml max 3 times in 24 hours

Prior written permission is required before the administration of, and specified choice of Calpol or Nurofen.

I consent/do not consent to the administration of Calpol or Nurofen

In the event of my child…….developing a low grade or high fever.

Signed_____Print Name_____