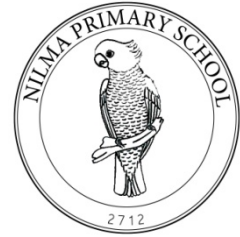Nilma Primary School
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Dear Parents,

RE: School Asthma Plan

We are pleased to inform you that our school takes its responsibilities to students with asthma very seriously.

We understand that your child has asthma. Asthma is a condition that can be serious and may require emergency treatment while at school. It is therefore important to have up to date information about the management of your child's asthma.

Attached to this letter is an Asthma Action Plan that we request you complete (in consultation with and signed by your child's Medical Practitioner). This plan must be updated every year.

The attached Asthma Action Plan outlines the Victorian Government Schools Reference Guide for Emergency Treatment of an Asthma Attack to be used in the case of an emergency, following best practice treatment. If, however, your child's emergency treatment differs from this, there is space on the plan for a preferred treatment, but this **must be signed by a qualified, practising Medical Practitioner.** This management form should be updated annually or whenever the student's asthma or asthma medications change significantly.

If there is no Asthma Action Plan provided by you for your child's asthma management, staff will use the standard Asthma First Aid Plan.

The school staff also reserves the right to call an ambulance for any child they consider to be having an asthma attack or if a child is having difficulty breathing. Please ensure your child is covered by ambulance cover if you do not have a health care card.

For further information about asthma management contact Asthma Victoria on (03) 9326 7088 or toll free number 1800 645 130 or visit www.asthma.org.au

Please help us to responsibly care for your child while at school by completing and returning the attached plan as soon as possible. If you have any queries regarding this, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours Sincerely

Annette Sutherland
Principal