

School Nursing

The School Nursing service is part of Bradford District Care NHS Foundation Trust's Public Health Nursing Children's Service.

The team is made up of:

- School nurses (Specialist Community Public Health Nurses)
- Staff nurses
- Community nursery nurses
- Healthcare support workers
- Family support workers

The team works across the district with all children aged 5-19 years old and their families. They can be contacted by phone on **01274 221203**.

What does the service do?

The School Nursing team provides services in a variety of places such as schools, in the local family hubs, and at home where needed. They also provide online appointments and a text messaging service for young people.

Secondary school pupils can go to school nurse drop-in sessions at school, where they can get confidential support for any health and wellbeing issues.

Parents/carers of primary school-aged children can meet the School Nursing team at drop-in sessions at the local family hubs. The service offers advice on health and wellbeing issues and will direct people to other services if they are needed.

The service now has family support workers, who work closely with a number of schools across the district as part of a coordinated approach that brings multiple services together to support children, young people and their families.

Our School Nursing Screening Team works with all primary schools in the district, offering the National Child Measurement Programme (NCMP) to all children in Reception and Year 6. They also offer hearing tests to all children

in Reception. Parents/carers will be informed when the team are due to attend their child's school via a letter or email.

The School Nursing team will be offering health assessments to children and their parents/carers at key transition stages, such as starting primary school, starting secondary school and leaving school.

The team works closely with our Special Educational Needs and Disabilities (SEND) and vulnerable children's teams to support those children, young people and families with additional needs.

The service also shares important health messages and runs information sessions in schools throughout the year.

To help make sure little ones are as prepared as they can be to start their school journey, the Health Visiting and School Nursing teams will also be working together to deliver the new Infant to School programme.



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