

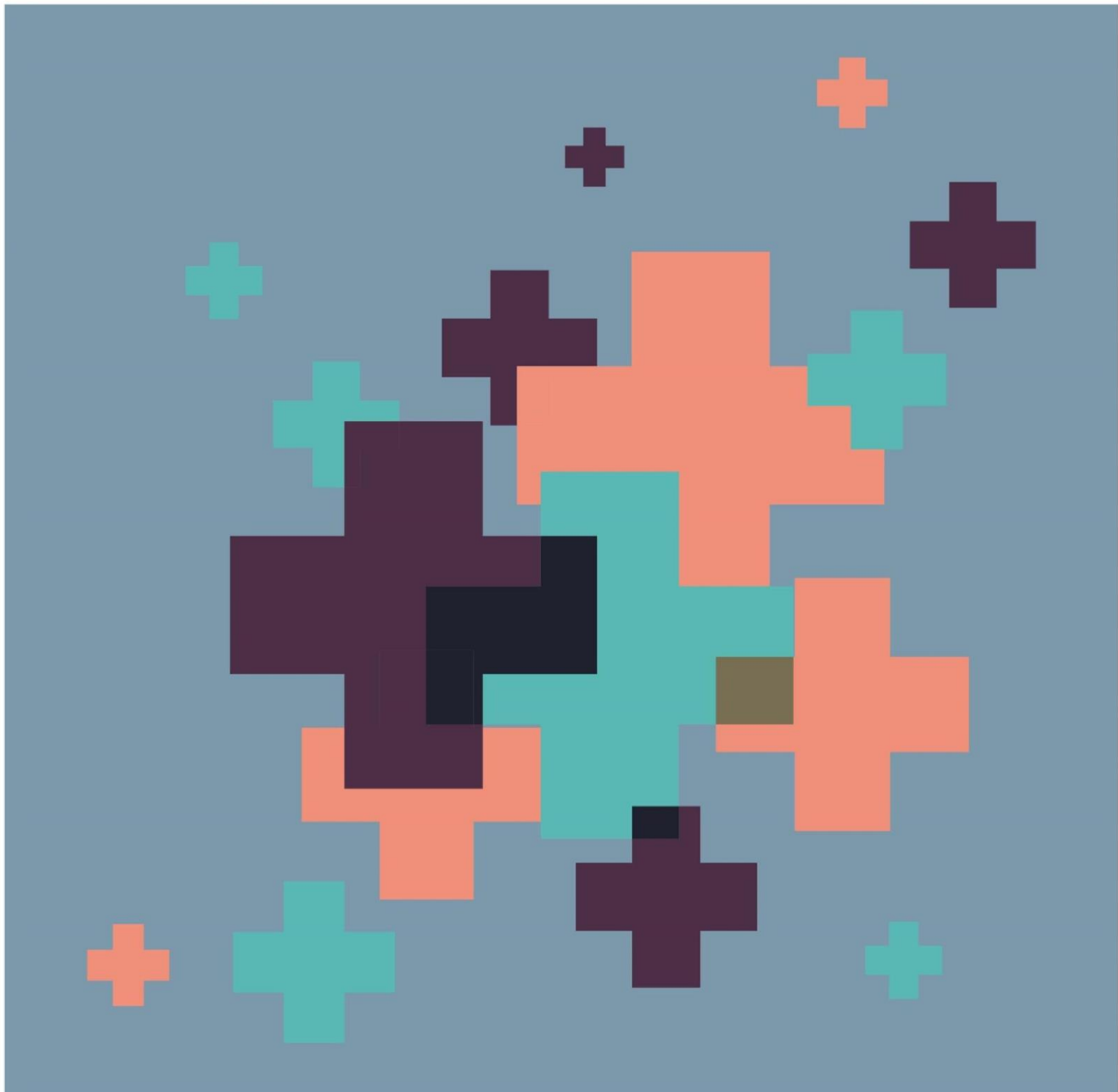
Trust Policy



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This policy sets out our approach to children with health needs who cannot attend school across Nova Academy Trust. Sections 2 and 3 sets out the specific local arrangements for The Garibaldi School.

1. Aims

At Nova Education Trust (NET), all of our academies aim to treat all its pupils fairly and with respect. This involves providing access and opportunities for all pupils without discrimination of any kind.

This policy aims to ensure that:

- Suitable education is arranged for pupils on roll who cannot attend school due to health needs
- Pupils, staff and parents understand what the school is responsible for when this education is being provided by the local authority

2. Legislation and guidance

All academies in Nova Education Trust operate in accordance with the Special Educational Needs and Disabilities Act 2001, Equality Act 2010, and Education Act 1996. This policy reflects the requirements of the Education Act 1996.

It also based on guidance provided by the local authority. Specific LA guidance can be accessed via the following link <https://www.nottinghamshire.gov.uk/education/home-education/absence-due-to-illness#:~:text=Pupils%20who%20live%20in%20Nottinghamshire,days%20are%20entitled%20to%20support.>

This policy complies with our funding agreement and articles of association.

3. The responsibilities of the school

3.1 If the school makes arrangements

Initially, the school will attempt to make arrangements to deliver suitable education for children with health needs who cannot attend school.

- Amanda Severn is the named school will be responsible for making and monitoring these arrangements

- Arrangements could include sending work home, hospital schools, accessing the health related education team
- Parents and children will be consulted on how they can be supported to access
- The school will work with the student and families and external agencies to ensure an effective transition back into schools.

3.2 If the local authority makes arrangements

If the school cannot make suitable arrangements, Nottinghamshire will become responsible for arranging suitable education for these children.

- The health related education team will determine if the arrangements are suitable
- The number of days will be reviewed to trigger support will be reviewed on an individual basis
- The schools refers to the local authority through the health related education team

In cases where the local authority makes arrangements, the school and trust will:

- Work constructively with the local authority, providers, relevant agencies and parents to ensure the best outcomes for the pupil
- Share information with the local authority and relevant health services as required
- Help make sure that the provision offered to the pupil is as effective as possible and that the child can be reintegrated back into school successfully
- When reintegration is anticipated, work with the local authority to:
 - Plan for consistent provision during and after the period of education outside the school, allowing the pupil to access the same curriculum and materials that they would have used in school as far as possible
 - Enable the pupil to stay in touch with school life (e.g. through newsletters, emails, invitations to school events or internet links to lessons from their school)
 - Create individually tailored reintegration plans for each child returning to school
 - Consider whether any reasonable adjustments need to be made

4. Monitoring arrangements

This policy will be reviewed annually by the trust Deputy Director of School Improvement (Safeguarding & Inclusion).

At every review, it will be approved by the full board of trustees.

5. Linked policies

This policy is linked to the following policies:

- Accessibility procedure
- Attendance policy
- Behavior Policy (Primary)
- Behavior Policy (Secondary)
- Equality information and objectives
- SEND policy
- Supporting pupils with medical conditions policy
- Safeguarding policy
- Anti bullying strategy