

My name is Pauline Podmore and I am the named nurse here at The Orchards School.

I work part time, all year round and as part of the Trafford Children's Community Nursing Team (CCNT)

I also have involvement with 2 other special schools. I try to attend The Orchards on Monday & Tuesday during term time.

I am a registered children's nurse with a wealth of knowledge and experience in various fields of children's nursing.

I have been working as a school nurse in Trafford for the last 17 years.

The school health service is a partnership with parents/guardians, myself and the wider multi-disciplinary team within Trafford CYPS.

The service aims to maintain and support children's health and additional needs throughout their educational years.

I look forward to developing a supportive relationship with the children and parents/guardians through providing a holistic and caring role highlighted below.

It is my aim to involve children and parents in their care, enabling informed choices to be made, keeping them central at all times in the child's individual health development.

### My Role

- Providing a nursing service to children and young people by assessing, planning, implementing and evaluating their health and care needs whilst attending school as part of the school health programme.
- Facilitating early recognition of health, social and emotional problems
- Liaising with Education staff, therapists, dentists, ophthalmology, Social Workers, Community nurses and specialist nurses.

- Implementing immunisation programmes in line with national guidance.
- Offering support and advice when pupils are unwell in school.
- Providing up to date and evidence based care and training for education staff to be competent to meet children's health care needs including administering medicines, caring for gastrostomies, tracheostomies and developing individual health care plans.
- Provide training and resources for all staff within school
- Support any future clinics held in school by the Community Paediatricians

I am available for general discussion via the telephone and can offer home visits where necessary.

During term time I can be contacted via your class teacher or on my mobile **07572150940** you are welcome to leave a message, but you can also access support through the Children's Community Nurse Team (CCNT) any day on **0161 934 8333**