

# Asthma awareness years 1-13

A suggestion for implementing the strategy 'Create inclusive learning environments '

from the Guide: Asthma and learning

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#### Health and PE years 1–12



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## **Role play**

Making and sharing short videos or doing role plays enables students to understand asthma, support their peers, and make safe decisions.



Video hosted on Youtube http://youtu.be/cindluIEMOU

No captions or transcript

Source:

asthmaFreeSchoolZone (US) https://youtu.be/cindluIEMOU

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## Learn through literacy

Stories supported by downloadable lesson plans.

- Asthma School Journal (L2) an article explaining an asthma attack and a child's experiences
- Breathless School Journal Story Library (L3) a fictional narrative about a boy who suffers from asthma
- Sensing data Connected (L4) an article describing how Christchurch is becoming a safer city for people with respiratory disorders

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## Supporting adolescents

Many adolescents are embarrassed about having asthma and using medication, particularly around their friends and peers. Build students' competencies in managing their own health by:

- ensuring students know how and when they can seek help
- ensuring confidentiality
- using subjects such as English, science, history, health and PE, to explore concepts of hauora
- identifying safe, accessible spaces that students can access if needed for taking preventer medication or doing calm breathing exercises
- reminding students of where and how to access onsite health professionals.

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### Relating to others



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#### **Useful resources**



#### Health and physical education: Achievement objectives

Health and physical education in the New Zealand curriculum.

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# Healthy breathing and asthma activity booklet

An activity booklet with activities for children and whānau to learn about healthy breathing, preventing and managing asthma

Publisher: Otago University

**Download PDF (4.7 MB)** 



#### Sailor Asthma Show

An in-school/ECE initiative supported by the Asthma and Respiratory Foundation NZ. Includes a free touring show plus a website of supporting resources.

Publisher:

Visit website

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