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Dear Parent/Guardian,

Blundell's School offers a wide range of sports and activities and a very competitive fixture list. From time to time pupils unfortunately suffer from a range of musculoskeletal injuries.

A private physiotherapy service is available to pupils through Ocean Physiotherapy ([www.oceanphysio.org](http://www.oceanphysio.org)). Every pupil is entitled to a free triage session but referral for this must come from the Medical Centre. If, following the triage assessment, further treatment is required, Ocean Physio will liaise with parents directly for approval to proceed. Payment can then be made directly to Ocean Physio or covered through the School's Medical Healthcare Scheme (please see below) or through another health insurer, following the necessary pre-authorisation. Following the free triage assessment, further sessions with Ocean Physio cost £45.00 each. The School does not get involved in the payment method, this is a private contract between Ocean Physio and the pupils' parent or guardian.

Ocean Physio will keep the Medical Centre updated on your child's progress and rehabilitation.

It is anticipated that Ocean Physio will visit the school twice weekly on a Monday and a Thursday although the frequency and day may vary, depending on the demand.

There is absolutely no obligation to use Ocean Physiotherapy as there is a good NHS physiotherapy option in Tiverton, but it does tend to carry a longer waiting time.

The school is a member of the AXA PPP Healthcare Scheme. For a premium of £126.00 a term, the insured receives extensive medical cover which includes eligible out-patients therapies, including physiotherapy, there is no yearly limit on fees up to a combined overall maximum of 10 sessions in a year when you child's GP refers them. A link to the online form to apply to join the AXA PPP Healthcare Scheme can be found on the fees section of the School's website.

Please note inclusion in the AXA PPP Healthcare Scheme is dependent on the following Conditions:

- No new applications will be accepted after the end of the first week of term.
- Your child cannot be included in the AXA PPP Healthcare Scheme unless a completed application form and premium of £126.00 has been received by the Bursary.
- Authorisation needs to be obtained from AXA PPP Healthcare prior to any treatment being undertaken.
- It is not permissible to opt in and out of the service on a term by term basis.

Regards

Blundell's Medical Centre