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Y Pwyllgor Plant, Pobl Ifanc ac Addysg | Children, Young People and  
Education Committee

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Priorities for the Children, Young People and Education Committee

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Ymateb gan : Alun Lloyd Davies

Response from : Alun Lloyd Davies

**Question 1** – Within the remit set out above: what do you consider to be the priorities or issues that the Children, Young People and Education Committee should consider during the Fifth Assembly?

There are very many children and young people in the Principality who suffer illnesses and disabilities. Many have 'hidden illnesses' and 'hidden disabilities' which mean that they are not all being treated properly and cared for as they should at their schools.

**Question 2** – From the list of priorities or issues you have identified, what do you consider to be the key areas that should be considered during the next 12 months (please identify up to three areas or issues)? Please outline why these should be considered as key priorities.

- It is very important that schools do everything they can to get to know which of their pupils fall into these categories and meet with their parents to discuss what they can do to give them special care. Many will suffer from particular illnesses that require special treatment during school time e.g. Diabetics. They may require to take medication or receive injections. Some schools refuse to have anything to do with the giving of medication or the giving of injections. Not only is this wrong and gives parents and pupils great worry, it can also put children's lives in great danger.
- It is essential that your Committee ensures that full care is provided at all times – this includes periods when pupils travel on school transport.