

Exclusion Guideline Policy for Childhood Illnesses

Please note: The NHS or your GP may say different but some of these illnesses are highly contagious. It is Kiddywinks policy and at the Management's discretion to follow the following exclusions.

Disease / Illness	Exclusion Period
Chicken Pox	For 5 days after rash or until the blisters have scabbed over.
Thrush	May return to nursery once treatment commenced as this is highly contagious.
Diarrhoea & Vomiting	Until free of symptoms for 48 hours from last motion or sickness.
Hand, Foot & Mouth Disease	Small grey blister-like lesions appear inside the mouth and throat and may also occur on the palms, fingers and soles of the feet, difficulty in swallowing, slight fever and occasional vomiting. The incubation period is 3-5 days. Infectious throughout the acute stages of the illness (normally no longer than 7 days) possibly longer since the virus persists in faeces for several weeks. There is no specific treatment; the blisters in the mouth usually clear within 4 days. Those on the body usually last 7-10 days. Exclusion once spots are dried about 5 days.
Headlice	Due to the amount of children within the setting, we recommend that you check your child's hair on a weekly basis for Headlice. Children will be excluded from nursery until treatment completed and free of headlice / eggs. For more information please ask.
Hepatitis A	For 5 days after onset of the jaundice.
High Temperature	A child who has a high temperature and showing sign of illness; parents may be contacted at manager's discretion.
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted or healed.
Measles	For 5 days after rash appears.
Mumps	For 5 days after onset of swollen glands.
Ringworm	None, proper treatment by the GP is important. Scalp Ringworm needs treatment with oral antifungal.
Rubella (German Measles)	For 5 days after onset of the rash.
Scabies	Until treated.
Scarlet Fever	For 5 days after commencing antibiotics.
Threadworms	May return to nursery once treatment commenced as this is highly contagious.
Tuberculosis	CCDC will advise on necessary action.
Whooping Cough (Pertussis)	For 5 days after commencing antibiotics.

It is nursery policy that we can refuse admittance to children who have a high temperature, sickness and diarrhoea or a contagious infection or disease. See above for details.

Please note that all illnesses / diseases may not be listed above so please speak to Andria or Lorraine for further details. For more information on the above please visit: www.nhs.uk