



Policy on the Exclusion of sick Children

At the Eveline Day and Nursery Schools we consider the interests of the children in our care is paramount, it is sometimes necessary and our duty to ask parents to refrain from bringing their child to the Nursery, or request that they are collected early, if they are unwell.

Guidelines from our local Consultants in Communicable Disease Control (CCDC) state that 'Children who are unwell with an infectious disease should not be at School or Nursery. Once they are better they should return unless they pose a risk to others. They should not return to School or Nursery until the risk has passed'.

If a member of staff suspects that a child may be showing symptoms of an infectious disease whilst in our care, the member of staff would discuss it with the nursery manager/ deputy who would decide if the child would need to be moved into a special care area that would be quarantined from all other children and staff. One staff member will remain with the individual until the parents are available to collect their child.

As a registered Nursery, we have a duty to follow these guidelines. Below is a list of infectious illnesses and the times that the children should be excluded.

DIARRHOEA/VOMITING: For a period of 48 hours following the cessation of the diarrhoea/vomiting.

CHICKEN POX: For five days from the onset or the rash. It is important that the spots have healed or crusted over.

GERMAN MEASLES (RUBELLA): For five days from onset of the rash.

IMPETIGO: Until lesions are crusted or healed.

MEASLES: For five days from the onset of the rash.

SCABIES: Until treated but includes the treatment of all family members

SCARLET FEVER: For five days from the commencement of the antibiotics

MUMPS: For five days from the onset of swollen glands.

Other infectious diseases would need advice from CCDC and these include Meningococcal Meningitis/ Septicimia/ Tuberculosis /E.coli and Haemolytic Uraemic Syndrome.

We all care deeply for the children, so we must be in partnership with you, the parents. Follow these guidelines in the interest of all children.

Further details of these guidelines are now on display in the nursery for you to see.