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### Student Sickness Policy



# Keeping Safe in School

## **Medical Provision**

The school has a full time nurse who is located in the sick bay in the Foundation Stage building. She will only issue medication to a child with the prior consent of a parent. Please ensure the medicine is in its original packaging. Medication must NOT, under any circumstances, be left in a child's bag.

Children who require an EpiPen or an inhaler must have one stored in the sick bay at all times.





## **Infectious Diseases**

Children suffering (or suspected of suffering) from any infectious or communicable disease must not be brought to school or must be removed from school as soon as the condition is noticed. Where children may have been exposed to a communicable or infectious disease, parents will be informed as soon as a suspected case has been confirmed.

## **Exclusion Policy**

Children who are sick cannot attend or remain at school.

To assist in protecting all children at AWIS, there is an exclusion policy in operation. This policy is split to deal with minor ailments and more serious/infectious conditions:

Minor Illnesses/Ailments			
Children need to stay at home			
Fever	Vomiting	Diarrhoea	Head Lice
			
Temperature of 38 C or higher	Within last 24 hours*	Within last 24 hours	Itchy head, live head lice
Children are able to return to school when			
They have been fever free for 24 hours without the use of fever reducing medication (Paracetamol, Brufen)	They have eaten 2 solid meals and not vomited  *Vomiting after food (while in school) will be assessed case by case.	They have been free from diarrhoea for at least 24 hours	They have been treated with appropriate lice treatment and stayed at home for 2 days. They have had a head inspection by the school nurse and given clearance to return to school.

More serious/infectious illnesses	
After the following illnesses a doctor's clearance note is required to allow the child to return to school in addition to staying at home for the minimum time period.	
Illness or Symptom	Do Not Return Until At Least...
Hospital stay/ ER visit	A release certificate has been provided stating the child is fit for school
Eye inflammation or conjunctivitis	24 hours after start of medication and after discharge from eyes has ceased
Severe cough or sore throat	24 hours after start of medication and after cough has reduced
Impetigo	48 hours after medical treatment has started or when patches have crusted over and dried if no treatment has been given
Ringworm	48 hours after medical treatment has started
Measles	5 school days after rash appears
Salmonella	2 days after diarrhea/vomiting has ceased
Chicken pox	5 school days after infection and after all blisters have dried
Mumps	10 school days after onset of swelling
Hand, Foot and Mouth	5 school days after onset of rash
Rubella (German measles)	5 school days after onset of rash
COVID	14 days after testing positive and a COVID clearance certificate has been issued

Helpful information about these illnesses can be found on the NHS website.

<https://www.nhs.uk/>

## **Injuries**

If a child sustains an injury, the following procedure will be applied:

- First aid will be administered by the nurse
- The site or cause of the accident will be made safe
- Parents will be informed as quickly as possible
- A Student Incident Report will be completed by the member of staff who witnessed/ attended to the child first. This will include the full date/time, a description of the event, witness statements, actions taken and by whom.

## **Pupil Absence**

If children are absent due to ill health parents are encouraged to notify the school office by phone. If informed officially, this will be marked accordingly in the register.