**SANDCASTLES NURSERY**

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**Infection control policy – staying safe**

Sandcastles displays a list of recent illness suffered by our children in the porch above the radiator. We appreciate you sharing brief details of your child’s illnesses to ensure that we can anonymously share these details with other families. Many childhood illnesses are common however some children and adults are more ‘at risk’ so please continue to inform us of all illnesses as this helps to keep us all safe.

Please find below a list (doesn’t cover every possible illness) which details recommended exclusion periods from nursery.

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| **Infection** | **Recommended period away from nursery** | **Comments** |
| Diarrhoea & or Vomiting | Until neither diarrhoea or vomiting for 48 hours | **Inform Nursery**. 2 weeks exclusion from swimming following last diarrhoea event.  |
| Chickenpox | 5 days from onset of rash | **Inform Nursery** |
| Slapped Cheek (fifths) | None | **Inform Nursery** |
| Impetigo | Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48hrs after commencing antibiotics | Antibiotics may speed up healing |
| Cold Sores | None |  |
| Hand, Foot & Mouth | None unless blisters are causing discomfort eating and drinking. | Usually a mild disease. Inform Nursery |
| Flu | Until recovered | Flu is most infectious just before onset of symptoms. Inform Nursery. |
| Conjunctivitis | None | Inform Nursery |
| Tonsillitis | None  | Inform Nursery |
| Head lice | None – once treated (usually requires several treatments & ongoing vigilance)  | Inform Nursery |
| Glandular fever | None | Inform Nursery |
| Warts and verrucae | None – but nursery needs to be aware to ensure the area is kept covered | Inform Nursery |
| Scarlet Fever | 24hrs from commencing antibiotics / GP advice | Inform Nursery |
| Mumps | 5 days from onset of swollen glands | **Inform Nursery** |
| Scabies | Child can usually return after 1st treatment | Two treatments required 1 week apart, full house hold should also have treatment. **Inform Nursery** |
| Roseola | None | A mild illness, inform Nursery |
| Ringworm | None | **GP will advise**. Inform Nursery |
| Measles | 4 days from onset of rash | **Inform Nursery** |
| Worms | None | **Please inform Nursery to ensure we take extra precautions to limit spread.** |
| German Measles | 6 days from onset of rash | **Inform Nursery** |

Also please note we also ask that if your child is prescribed medication that you administer this medication at home for 24 hours before your child returns to nursery.