

Handkerchief Day Nursery

Infectious Disease Control

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To minimise the risk of transmission of infection to other children and staff

| Infection:                             | Exclusion Period:  |
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| Chickenpox                             | For five days from onset of rash   |
| Cold sores                             | None   |
| German Measles (Rubella)               | Six days from onset of rash  |
| Hand, foot and mouth disease           | Until the child feels well   |
| Impetigo                               | Once the lesions have crusted and healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment |
| Measles                                | Four days from the onset of rash   |
| Ringworm                               | None – but treatment is needed   |
| Scabies                                | 24 hours after the treatment has started   |
| Shingles                               | Exclude only if the rash is weeping and can't be covered                                   |
| Scarlet Fever                          | 24 hours from commencing antibiotics   |
| Slapped cheek or Fifth disease         | Can return once feeling well   |
| Flu virus                              | Until recovered  |
| Whooping cough                         | 5 days after commencing antibiotics  |
| Common cold                            | None – but not dependant on paracetamol  |
| Diarrhoea and/or vomiting              | Until free from symptoms for 48 hours  |
| Conjunctivitis                         | None – but treatment is needed   |
| Glandular Fever                        | Until feeling well   |
| Head lice                              | None but treatment is needed   |
| Mumps                                  | 5 days from onset of swollen glands  |
| Threadworm                             | None – but treatment is recommended  |
| Tonsillitis                            | Once the child is feeling well and started treatment                                       |
| Meningitis (bacterial)                 | Once the child has recovered   |
| Meningitis (viral)                     | None   |
| Molluscum contagiosum (skin infection) | None   |
| Hepatitis A                            | Until 7 days after the onset of the symptoms   |
| Warts and verrucae                     | None but verrucae should be covered  |

- The nursery cannot administer medication to children if they have not had it before
- The nursery cannot administer cough medicine to children, but if prescribed by your GP we can
- Staff can only administer Calpol to children with a temperature of 38oc or over
- If your child is unwell please inform the nursery.

The above information was taken from the Department of Health, Department for Education  
and Employment and Public Health Laboratory Service