



Medical Exclusion Policy

Infectious Diseases	Incubation Period	Period of Exclusion	Additional Information
Temperature (above 38°C)	At discretion of OIC / Deputy OIC or a Director dependant on child well being	If sent home, child can only return when not reliant on medication to reduce fever	Normal temperature is in the range of 36°C – 36.8°C
Flu	1 - 5 days	Until recovered	Nil
Worms	1 - 3 months according to species	None	Family contacts must be treated
Tonsillitis	1 - 10 days	None	There are many causes, but most cases are viral and do not need antibiotics
Ringworm of the body or scalp		Exclusion not usually required	Treatment is required
Diarrhoea / Vomiting		At least 48 hrs from last episode	No child to be in nursery with diarrhoea
Conjunctivitis	1 - 3 days	None	Spreads easily, towels and flannels must not be shared
Impetigo		Until the skin is healed or 48 hours after treatment has started	Treatment is required
Hand, Foot & Mouth	3 - 7 days	None, dependant on severity and well being of child	Not related to Foot and Mouth in cattle
Slapped cheek		None (once rash has developed)	Can affect unborn child in first 20 weeks of pregnancy
Scarlet Fever <i>(Notifiable Disease)</i>		Child can return 24 hours after starting appropriate antibiotic treatment	Antibiotic Treatment is recommended
Chickenpox	10 - 21 days	Until AFTER all blisters (vesicles) have crusted over	Pregnant women who have not had chickenpox should contact their GP
Whooping Cough <i>(Notifiable Disease)</i>		5 days after commencing antibiotic treatment or 21 days from onset if no antibiotics given	Preventable by vaccination
Measles <i>(Notifiable Disease)</i>	9 - 14 days	4 days from appearance of the rash	Preventable by vaccination (MMR x2)
Mumps <i>(Notifiable Disease)</i>	8 days	At least 5 days from onset of swelling	Preventable by vaccination (MMR x2)
Meningitis <i>(Notifiable Disease)</i>	Varies according to type of organism	Until recovered or on medical advice	