

## Exclusion procedure for illness/ communicable disease

Ashfield Plaza Day Nursery uses NHS direct for guidelines to be followed for the minimum period of exclusion for a range of different illnesses:

**Conjunctivitis** - no exclusion period however any child that attends setting with conjunctivitis will be asked to not attend until medication is provided. Once medication is provided we can administer this.

**Chicken pox** - Staff/children must stay off until all spots have fully scabbed over

**Diarrhoea and Vomiting** - Staff and children **MUST** stay off for nursery 48 hours from the last bout.

**Gastro-enteritis, food poisoning, salmonellosis, dysentery and Novo virus**- staff and children **MUST** be off for 48 hours from the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. If a notifiable disease then no return until advised by the relevant public health official.

**Hand, foot and mouth** - No exclusion period for this alone although a diagnosis is needed. Only if the child is unwell they will need to stay at home, once well they may return even if spots/blisters are present.

**Impetigo** -Children must stay off nursery until the skin has healed but no less than 48 hours.

**Head lice** - No exclusion from nursery however advice will be given to seek prevention.

**Measles** - Children must stay off nursery for 7 to 10 days from appearance of rash.

**Meningitis** (bacteria) - Exclusion until recovered.

**Meningitis** (viral) - Exclusion 7-10 days until recovered.

**Mumps** - Children must stay off nursery until the swelling has subsided and in no case less than 7 days from the onset of the illness.

**Oral thrush** - Children can attend nursery as long as treatment has been provided.

**Poliomyelitis** - Exclusion until declared free from infection by the appropriate public health official.

**Plantar warts** - no exclusion, these should be treated and covered whilst at nursery.

**Ringworm of body** - Children can attend nursery as long as treatment has been provided.

**Scarlet fever** - Children will need to stay away from nursery for at least 24 hours after first dose of antibiotic medicine.

**Scabies** - Once appropriate treatment is given children can attend nursery.

**Slapped cheek** - Once rash has appeared diagnosis is required and children can return to nursery.

**Streptococcal** - Exclusion until appropriate treatment has been given and in no less than 3 days from the start of treatment.

**Tuberculosis** - Exclusion until declared free from infection by the appropriate public health official.

**Typhoid fever** - Exclusion until declared free from infection by the appropriate public health official.

**Whooping cough** - Exclusion for 48 hours from the start of antibiotic treatment or 3 weeks after the coughing bouts started, whichever is sooner.

<i>Signature Assessor</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Countersignature Designation</i>	<i>Date</i>
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