



Sickness Policy

If your child becomes ill during our care, every effort will be made to contact you as parent/Carer to arrange for your child to return home as soon as possible. If your child requires urgent medical attention and we are unable to contact you, we will make the necessary arrangements

Children unwell with infectious diseases should not in general attend Pre-School, although mild snuffles and colds need not necessarily prevent a child attending.

Please notify us if you are aware your child is unwell, has a contagious illness or has an illness that has been confirmed by the doctor. Please inform staff if your child is on any medication.

If your child needs medication throughout the day, please ensure that you bring it in, clearly marked for staff to administer. Please note, you will be asked to sign a consent form.

Illness

Absence Time

Sickness and Diarrhoea	At least 48 hours and until eating normally again
Conjunctivitis (eye infections)	Treated and risk assessed on an individual basis
Skin Infections (eg Scabies, Impetigo and Ringworm)	Treated and Cleared
Ear/Throat/Chest Infection	Treated and 24 hours of antibiotics
Hand, Foot and Mouth	Treated and Cleared
Slap Cheek	Must notify staff, dangerous to women in early stages of pregnancy
Chicken Pox	Until all spots have crusted over and no new spots have appeared
Measles	Seven to ten days from onset of rash
Reubella (German Measles)	Four days from onset of rash, or until rash has gone
Mumps	Until the swelling has gone
Whooping Cough	Twenty one days from onset of cough

Hospital Treatment

Absence Time

Tonsils and Adenoids removal	One week from operation
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Grommets only

Two days from operation

Asthma Attack

Twenty four hours from discharge

Other Hospital procedures

As advised by your Doctor

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Abbotsham and Alwington Pre-school

Held on (date) _____

Signed on behalf of the Pre-school _____

All policies are reread at least annually, updated if necessary, and signed at our Annual General Meeting.