

**ST GILES & ST JOHN  
PRESCHOOL**  
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**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

**ILLNESS AND EXCLUSION POLICY**

Our aim is to promote a healthy environment for the children in our care and we need your co-operation to support this.

- If parents/carers notice their child becoming ill or infectious they must inform the setting and they must have regard to the exclusion list below.
- If a child becomes ill or infectious at the setting, every effort will be made to contact parents/carers. It is essential therefore that the setting has up to date information in order to be able to contact the parents/carers during setting hours. If the parent/carer cannot be contacted, setting staff will endeavour to contact the other contact numbers on the child's records
- If the setting is unable to contact a parent/carer or other named contact, the setting reserves the right to take the child to a general practitioner or hospital in an emergency.  
Parents/carers will be required to give signed consent for this procedure on registering their child at the setting

**Notification of exposure to infectious diseases**

<b>ILLNESS/INFECTIOUS DISEASES</b>	<b>PERIOD OF EXCLUSION</b>
Athletes foot	None
Chicken Pox/Shingles	When crusted over
Conjunctivitis	None
Diarrhoea and/or vomiting	Children and staff should be excluded from setting until their symptoms have settled and until 48 hours after last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting
Glandular Fever	There is no benefit in keeping children or staff off once they feel well enough to attend
Hand, Foot and Mouth	None, however, whilst the child is unwell he/she should be kept away from the setting. Contact HPT if large outbreak occurs
Head Lice	None. Treatment is only required if live lice are seen in the hair (not nits (eggs)).
Hepatitis *	<u>Hep A</u> - Consult with the HPT, exclude until 7 days after onset of jaundice <u>Hep B</u> - Bloodborne viruses not infectious <u>Hep C</u> -
HIV/AIDS	Should not be restricted or excluded
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted or 48 hrs after antibiotic treatment
Measles, Mumps * & Rubella *	<u>Measles</u> - Yes, until 4 days after the onset of the rash <u>Mumps</u> - the child should be excluded for

	5 days after the onset of swelling Rubella - for 4 days after onset of the rash, and whilst unwell.
Meningitis *	Children will be too ill to attend and there is no need to exclude siblings or other close contacts
Molluscum contagiosum	None
Pharyngitis/tonsillitis	If the disease is known to be caused by streptococcal (bacteria) infection the child or member of staff should be kept away from the setting until 24 hours after the start of treatment. Otherwise they should stay at home while they feel unwell
Ringworm (Tinea)	Until treatment commenced
Scarlet Fever/Scarletina *	Child can return 24 hours after starting appropriate antibiotic treatment
Slapped Cheek Syndrome (Erythema Infectiosum/fifth disease)	An infected child need not be excluded because they are no longer infectious by the time the rash occurs
Scabies	Child can return after 1 <sup>st</sup> treatment
E. Coli O157 VTEC Typhoid *, Paratyphoid *(enteric fever)	Yes, should be excluded for 48 hours from the last episode of diarrhoea, further exclusion may be required
Tuberculosis (TB) *	Always consult with PHE
Verrucae and warts	Not necessary
Whooping Cough (Pertussis) *	5 days from commencing antibiotic treatment or 21 days from onset of illness if no antibiotic treatment (PHE)
Worms	Not necessary
Cold sores	None, avoid kissing and contact with sores.
Roseola (Infantum)	None
Shingles	Exclude only if rash is weeping and cannot be covered
Diphtheria *	Exclusion is essential. Always consult with HPT
MRSA	None consult PHE for further advice
Cryptosporidiosis	Exclude for 48 hours from last bout of diarrhoea
* denotes a notifiable disease.	

If a child contracts any of the above infectious diseases, other parents will be informed by an emergency newsletter or information on the notice board

Children with long term or chronic illness will not be excluded, however, in order for the Preschool to be able to provide the best care for your child; we need to be kept up to date with their treatment and medications.

If we have reason to believe that any child is suffering from a notifiable disease identified as such in the Public Health (Infectious disease) Regulations 1988, we will inform the Health Protection Agency and Ofsted of any action taken. The full list of notifiable disease can be found on [www.hpa.org.uk](http://www.hpa.org.uk) and our parent's notice board.

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Signed by

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