

Exclusion Periods for Illnesses

We eagerly encourage parents to read our **Medication Policy** alongside this exclusion table.

Below is a table which states the minimum exclusion period your child should not attend nursery for if they have any of the following illnesses. We ask all parents to respect these exclusions as it protects others' health.

Please note, this list is not exhaustive and therefore exclusion periods for other illnesses may apply. You should always seek medical advice if you are unsure what illness your child has.

Our staff can advise on what they think it is from experience, however they are not medically trained and therefore cannot offer sound advice.

<u>Illness / Disease</u>	<u>Minimum Exclusion Period</u>
Temperature	If sent home, must be off for 24 hours.
Sickness and/or diarrhoea	48 hours since their last episode
Antibiotics	48 hours
Conjunctivitis	24 hours from starting treatment (normally eye drops).
Coronavirus (Covid-19)	3 days from the day of a positive test.
Chicken pox	5 days from appearance of rash / once all spots have scabbed over.
Shingles	Until rash has stopped weeping
Flu	Whilst they are unwell.
Measles	5 days from onset on rash.
Mumps	5 days from onset / until swelling have reduced.
Rubella (German measles)	5 days from appearance of rash
Whooping cough (Pertussis)	5 days from start of antibiotics / 21 days from onset of illness.
Scarlet Fever	5 days from start of antibiotics.
Impetigo	Until skin is healed or 48 hours after antibiotics
Ringworm of scalp	Until GP advises child can return.
Ringworm of body	No exclusion as long as treatment is sought.
Scabies	Until started first treatment
Head lice	Until treatment has been used.
Cold Sores	No exclusion
Hand, foot and mouth	Until all spots/blisters have cleared.
Tuberculosis	Always consult with Health Protection Unit

Below is a table of exclusion periods for treatment/prevention of illnesses

<u>Treatment type</u>	<u>Minimum Exclusion Period</u>
Antibiotics	48 hours
Calpol	12 hours
Eye drops	24 hours
Injections	24 hours

