



Puss 'n' Boots Day Nursery **Sickness Policy**

Please follow the below procedures in the event of your child being unwell and unable to attend the Nursery. It is essential that we are aware of anything unusual about your child's health and well-being or if they do not seem themselves. It is of paramount importance to ensure that we consider all children's and staff's health at the Nursery. We therefore endeavour to keep the Nursery a happy and healthy environment for all within. This means we rely greatly on the judgement of parents bringing their children into Nursery, ensuring that they are not infectious and well enough to spend the day amongst their friends and teachers. It is also important that we are aware of any medication your child is receiving, or has been given prior to them coming into Nursery, this is in case of an emergency, in which we may have to give a medical professional as much information as possible.

1. Please contact the Nursery at your earliest convenience and let us know if your child is unwell, this is vital in the event your child has an infection which we may need to notify other parents of.
2. Please follow the guidelines below for the specified conditions and keep your child at home if he/she is infectious, as this will reduce the risk of cross infection amongst other children and the Nursery staff.
3. If in doubt, please do not hesitate to ask a member of staff.

The below guidelines are those provided by Puss 'n' Boots Management Team and the 'guidance on infection control in schools and other childcare settings 2017' Public Health England.

<u>ILLNESS</u>	<u>EXCLUSION PERIOD</u>
Bronchiolitis	Until FULLY recovered
Chicken Pox and Shingles	At least six days after the appearance of the last crop of spots, when they are fully crusted over and when the child feels well enough.
Conjunctivitis	Until the eye is treated.
Diarrhoea and Vomiting	48 hours after symptoms have ceased
'Slapped Cheek' Parvovirus disease	Until they are feeling physically well
Hand, Foot, and Mouth disease	At least 48 hours from diagnoses from doctor
Head Lice	Until treatment has been given and no trace of nits or lice
Hepatitis A	Until they feel well and for five days after the onset of the jaundice
Cold Sores	Until the child is well enough
Impetigo	Once the infection has completely healed and the child is well enough. At least 48 hours after first course of antibiotic treatment
Measles	At least four days after the rash first appears and the child is well enough
Meningitis	Until the child is fully recovered (unless viral meningitis)
Mumps	Five days after from onset of swelling
Ringworm	At least 24 hours after the first course of treatment has been given
Rubella (German Measles)	At least 5 days after the rash first appears and until the child is well enough
Scabies	At least 24 hours after the first course of treatment has been given
Scarlet Fever	At least 48 hours after the first course of antibiotics has been given and they are well enough
Threadworms	At least 24 hours after the first course of treatment has been given
Verrucae	Verrucae must be covered by a waterproof plaster or clear nail varnish
Whooping Cough	48 hours after treatment of antibiotics or 21 days from onset of illness if not having antibiotic treatment
Any child on Antibiotics (Liquid medicine and cream)	At least 48 hours after the first course of antibiotics has been given and they are well enough

Please remember that if your child is so unwell that is affecting their happiness, that the best place for your child is at home. Please respect the health of others.

This is Puss 'n' Boots Day Nursery's strict policy and will be adhered to at all times.