



## Policy - Sickness

**Title:** Sickness  
**Category:** Illnesses Accidents and Incidents  
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### Description:

For everyone's health if your child is unwell, they **MUST NOT** come to Preschool. You should inform us if your child is unwell by either phoning the Preschool number 07596 211375, or by emailing a message using the babysdays site.

We understand that occasionally children may need to have some medication and still be well enough to come into Preschool. If your child has come into Preschool having taken some medication, you **MUST** inform the Manager either on arrival, or via babysdays before you bring your child to Preschool.

As set by The Public Health Agency, if your child has had diarrhoea or sickness in the last 48 HOURS please do not bring them in. It is vital to stop the spreading of infection that they **MUST** be clear for 48 hours before returning to preschool.

If your child or any members of your household have symptoms of Coronavirus you should follow the current NHS guidelines. If you are unsure you must check with the Manager before bringing your child to Preschool.

Please use this check list before you bring your child to preschool and if you are unsure about your child's health you **MUST** keep them at home.

### CHECK:-

Does your child have a temperature?

Is your child complaining of a sore throat, tummy etc?

Does your child just seem a bit "under the weather"?

Has your child had an unusually restless night?

If we feel in any way unsure about your child's health we **WILL NOT** accept them into preschool.

If a child becomes unwell while at preschool, the parent/carer will be contacted immediately and expected to come and take their child home. If your child has displayed any symptoms of Coronavirus at preschool we will follow the current NHS guidelines.

### Symptoms of Covid 19

The most important symptoms of coronavirus (COVID-19) are recent onset of any of the following:

- a new continuous cough, meaning coughing a lot for more than an hour or experiencing 3 or more episodes of coughing in a day
- a high temperature
- a loss of, or change in, your normal sense of taste or smell (anosmia)

For most people, coronavirus (COVID-19) will be a mild illness. However, if you have any of the symptoms above you should seek medical advice. If we have reason to believe any child is suffering from any notifiable disease as identified in the public health infectious diseases regulations 1988,

then we will contact Ofsted immediately. We will act on any advice given by the Health Protection Agency and tell Ofsted of any action taken. To find a list of notifiable diseases go to <https://gov.uk/notifiable-disease-and-causative-organisms-how-to-report#list-of-notifiable-diseases>

Parents must advise Preschool of any notifiable diseases/illness or head lice so that a notice can be given to all parents/carers advising vigilance for any signs and symptoms and any necessary action.