

GUIDELINES FOR INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Disease/ Illness	Minimal Exclusion Period and Treatment Guidelines
Athletics Foot	Not a serious condition, treatment is recommended
Chickenpox	7 days from the appearance of the rash. Advise school on diagnosis
Conjunctivitis	Treatment and advice from medical profession
Diarrhoea	Kept at home for 48 hours from last episode of diarrhoea
Gastro-enteritis, food poisoning, salmonella and dysentery	Until authorised by the GP
German Measles	6 days from the appearance of the rash. Advise School on diagnosis
Hand foot and mouth	None but advise school on diagnosis
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted and healed or 48hrs after commencing treatment
Infective Hepatitis	7 days from the onset of jaundice
Lice	Until appropriate treatment has been given
Measles	4 days from the appearance of the rash
Meningococcal Infection	Until recovery from the illness
Molluscum contagiosum	None
Mumps	Until the swelling has subsided and in no case less than 7 days from the onset of the illness
Plantar Warts	No exclusion. Should be treated and covered
Ringworm of body	Seldom necessary to exclude provided treatment is being given
Ringworm of scalp	Until cured
Scabies	Need not be excluded, once appropriate treatment has been given
Scarlet Fever/ Streptococcal Infection of the throat	Child can return 24hrs after starting appropriate antibiotic treatment
Shingles	Exclude only if rash is weeping and cannot be covered
Slapped cheek/ fifth disease. Parvovirus	None but advise school on diagnosis
Threadworm	Treatment is recommended for the child and household contacts. Please advise school on diagnosis
Vomiting	Kept at home for 48 hours from last episode of vomiting
Whooping Cough	5 days from commencing antibiotic treatment or 21 days from the onset of cough if no antibiotics
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