

Exclusion Policy

We operate an inclusive setting, where all children are welcome regardless of their race, religion, culture, sex, ability or disability, social background etc. There are however certain occasions when it may be necessary to ask a parent to not bring their child to the setting for a short period of time. These reasons include:

- If a child is ill (see Sick Child policy)
- If a child has a highly infectious condition (such as chicken pox)
- If the child has a notifiable disease (see the list below)
- If a child has had a bout of sickness or diarrhoea within the last 48 hours. * See note below.

Details of incubation and exclusion periods are detailed in the *Guide to Common Childhood Illnesses*, which can be view on our website. Further details of exclusion periods can be downloaded from the Health Protection Agency's website at www.hpa.org.uk.

Notifiable diseases:

- Acute encephalitis
- Acute poliomyelitis
- Anthrax
- Cholera
- Diphtheria
- Dysentery
- Food poisoning
- Leprosy
- Leptospirosis
- Malaria
- Measles
- Meningitis
- Meningococcal septicaemia
- Mumps
- Ophthalmic neonatorum
- Paratyphoid fever
- Plague
- Rabies
- Relapsing fever
- Rubella
- Scarlet fever
- Smallpox
- Tetanus
- Tuberculosis
- · Typhoid fever

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- Typhus fever
- Viral haemorrhagic fever
- Viral hepatitis
- Whooping cough
- Yellow fever.

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^{*} Diarrhoea is defined by the passing of watery stools more than three times during a 24-hour period. If diarrhoea and/or sickness has recently been present in the setting we will contact a parent after the first loose motion.