

CHRISTCHURCH RUDOLF STEINER SCHOOL PROCEDURES

NAG 5 Health & Safety

Procedure 5.4.6 Infectious diseases / conditions

Guide: Exclusion period from Kindergarten / school - (source MoH school guide)

Campylobacter	Until well with no further diarrhea
Chicken Pox	One week from the date of appearance
Conjunctivitis	While there is discharge from the eyes
Cryptosporidium	"Giardia" Until well with no further diarrhea
Gastroenteritis	Until well with no further vomiting or diarrhea
Glandular Fever	Until well enough to return, Doctors (certificate required if absent more than 5 days)
Hand, Foot & Mouth disease	While feeling unwell (not necessary if well)
Hepatitis A	7 days from onset of jaundice
Hepatitis B	Until well or advised by GP
Impetigo	Until 24 hours after treatment (antibiotics) has started (sores must be able to remain covered at all times)
Influenza	Restrict contact activities until well
Rashes	At least 4 days from onset of rash
Meningitis	Until well enough to return
Mumps	Until 9 days after swelling develops, or until well (whichever is sooner)
Ringworm	Restrict contact activities until lesions clear, keep covered (i.e. swimming, gym)
Rubella	7 days from rash appearing
Salmonella	Until well with no further diarrhea
Scabies	Until 24 hours after treatment has started
Streptococcal	Sore Throat Until 24 hours after antibiotics have been started
Slapped Cheek	Unnecessary unless child is unwell
Whooping Cough	Until 21 days from onset of coughing or after 5 days of antibiotics

Parents

If you think your child may have an infectious disease or condition

- Keep them at home and see a doctor if unsure. Do not come to school if infectious.
- If you think your child may have been contagious at school, immediately ring your teacher or sponsor who will contact the class secretary. This will alert the whole class community to look out for symptoms.
- Insist on a hands washing regime at home. The 20/20 rule should apply – 20 seconds washing, 20 seconds drying.
- Eat healthily, have plenty of sleep, keep warm to keep the immune system strong.

Teachers

- If a child shows symptoms of an infectious disease or condition in class send them to the office who will contact the parents to take them home. If the parents cannot come for them, they will stay in the healing room.
- If a student with Infectious disease or condition has been in class and a parent rings concerned about the spread of infection, please contact you class secretary to alert the class community. Parents can choose what to do with this information. (an email tree is best)
- Instruct and insist on the 20/20 hand washing and drying regime in class lessons 20 seconds washing, 20 seconds drying. Encourage health not fear i.e. take steps to not have body fluids on your hands etc

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