



OSBORNE PRIMARY SCHOOL
2655

INFECTIOUS DISEASE POLICY

Introduction Parents and carers are requested to follow the guidelines for exclusion of students from school as set out in the Health department table below.

| <i>Disease or Condition</i> | <i>Patient shall be excluded from School</i> | <i>Exclusion of contacts</i> |
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| Amoebiasis (<i>Entamoeba histolytica</i>) | Exclude until diarrhoea has ceased plus 24 hours | Not excluded |
| Campylobacter | Exclude until diarrhoea has ceased plus 24 hours | Not excluded |
| Chicken Pox | Exclude until fully recovered or for at least 5 days after the eruption first appears. Note that some remaining scabs are not a reason for continued exclusion | Any child with an immune deficiency (e.g. leukaemia) or receiving chemotherapy should be excluded for their own protection. Otherwise not excluded |
| Conjunctivitis | Exclude until discharge from eyes has ceased | Not excluded |
| Diarrhoea | Exclude until diarrhoea has ceased or until medical certificate of recovery is produced plus 24 hours | Not excluded |
| Diphtheria | Exclude until medical certificate of recovery is received following at least two negative throat swabs, the first not less than 24 hours after finishing a course of antibiotics and the other 48 hours later | Exclude family/household contacts until cleared to return by the Secretary. |
| Haemophilus type b (Hib) | Exclude until medical certificate of recovery is received | Not excluded |
| Hand, Foot and Mouth disease | Exclude until all blisters have dried | Not excluded |

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| Hepatitis A | Exclude until a medical certificate of recovery is received, but not before 7 days after the onset of jaundice or illness | Not excluded |
| Herpes ('cold sores') | Young children unable to comply with good hygiene practices should be excluded while the lesion is weeping. Lesions to be covered by dressing, where possible | Not excluded |
| Humanimmuno-deficiency virus infection | Exclusion is not necessary | Not excluded |
| Impetigo (School Sores) | Exclude until appropriate treatment has commenced. Sores on exposed surfaces must be covered with a watertight dressing | Not excluded |
| Influenza and influenza like illnesses | Exclude until well | Not excluded |
| Leprosy | Exclude until approval to return has been given by the Secretary | Not excluded |
| Measles | Exclude for at least 4 days after onset of rash | Immunised contacts not excluded. Unimmunised contacts should be excluded until 14 days after the first day of appearance of rash in the last case. If unimmunised contacts are vaccinated within 72 hours of their first contact with the first case they may return to school. |

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| Meningitis (bacteria) | Exclude until well | Not excluded |
| Meningococcal infection | Exclude until adequate carrier eradication therapy has been completed | Not excluded if receiving carrier eradication therapy |
| Mumps | Exclude for 9 days or until swelling goes down (whichever is sooner) | Not excluded |
| Pediculosis (head lice) | See Ringworm | |
| Poliomyelitis | Exclude for at least 14 days from onset. Re-admit after receiving medical certificate of recovery | Not excluded |
| Ringworm, scabies, pediculosis (head lice) | Re-admit the day after appropriate treatment has commenced | Not excluded |
| Rubella (german measles) | Exclude until fully recovered or for at least four days after the onset of rash | Not excluded |
| Salmonella, Shigella | Exclude until diarrhea ceases plus 24 hours | Not excluded |
| (SARS) Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome | Exclude until medical certificate of recovery is produced | Not excluded unless considered necessary by the Secretary |
| Streptococcal infection including Scarlet Fever | Exclude until the child has received antibiotic treatment for at least 24 hours and the child feels well | Not excluded |
| Tuberculosis | Exclude until receipt of medical certificate from the treating physician stating that the child is not considered to be infectious | Not excluded |
| Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever | Exclude until approval to return has been given by the Secretary | Not excluded unless considered necessary by the Secretary |
| Verotoxin producing Escherichia coli (VTEC) | Exclude if required by the Secretary and only for the period specified by the Secretary | Not excluded |
| Whooping cough | Exclude the child for 21 days after starting antibiotic treatment | Exclude unimmunised household contacts aged less than 7 years and close child care contacts for 14 days after the last exposure to infection or until they have taken 5 days of a 10 day course of antibiotics |
| Worms (intestinal) | Exclude if diarrhea present plus 24 hours | Not excluded |

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