

Oaklea Montessori CIC

Exclusion Table following illnesses

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INFECTION	EXCLUSION PERIOD	COMMENTS
Athlete's foot	None	Children should not be barefoot at their setting (for example in changing areas) and should not share towels, socks or shoes with others.
Chickenpox	At least 5 days from onset of rash and until all blisters have crusted over.	Pregnant staff contacts should consult with their GP or midwife.
Cold sores (herpes simplex)	None	Avoid kissing and contact with the sores.
Conjunctivitis	24 hours after starting antibiotic drops	If an outbreak or cluster occurs, consult your local health protection team (HPT).
Respiratory infections including coronavirus (COVID19)	Children and staff should not attend if they have a high temperature and are unwell. Children and staff who have a positive test result for COVID-19 should not attend the setting for 3 days after the day of the test.	Children with mild symptoms such as runny nose, and headache who are otherwise well can continue to attend their setting.
Diarrhoea and/or vomiting	Staff and students can return 48 hours after diarrhoea and vomiting have stopped.	If a particular cause of the diarrhoea and vomiting is identified, there may be additional exclusion advice, for example E. coli STEC and hep A. For more information, see Managing outbreaks and incidents.
Diphtheria*	Exclusion is essential. Always consult with UKHSA HPT.	Preventable by vaccination. Family contacts must be excluded until cleared to return by your local HPT.
Flu (influenza) or influenza like illness	Until recovered.	Report outbreaks to your local HPT. For more information, see Managing outbreaks and incidents.
Glandular fever	None	
Hand foot and mouth	Until blisters have dried up, and rash and temperature have gone.	Contact your local HPT if a large number of children are affected. Exclusion may be considered in some circumstances.

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Headlice	Apply treatment before returning to Oaklea.	
Hepatitis A	Exclude until 7 days after onset of jaundice (or 7 days after symptom onset if no jaundice)	In an outbreak of hepatitis A, your local HPT will advise on control measures.
Hepatitis B, C, HIV	None	Hepatitis B and C and HIV are blood borne viruses that are not infectious through casual contact. Contact your UKHSA HPT for more advise.
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted or healed, or 48 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.	Antibiotic treatment speeds healing and reduces the infectious period.
Measles	4 days from onset of rash and well enough.	Preventable by vaccination with 2 doses of MMR. Promote MMR for all pupils and staff. Pregnant staff contacts should seek prompt advice from their GP or midwife.
Meningococcal meningitis* or septicaemia*	Until recovered.	Meningitis ACWY and B are preventable by vaccination. Your local HPT will advise on any action needed.
Meningitis* due to other bacteria	Until recovered.	Hib and pneumococcal meningitis are preventable by vaccination. Your UKHSA HPT will advise on any action needed.
Meningitis viral	None	Milder illness than bacterial meningitis. Siblings and other close contacts of a case need not be excluded.
MRSA	None	Good hygiene, in particular handwashing and environmental cleaning, are important to minimise spread. Contact your UKHSA HPT for more information.
Mumps*	5 days after onset of swelling.	Preventable by vaccination with 2 doses of MMR. Promote MMR for all pupils and staff.
Ringworm	Can return after first treatment.	Treatment is needed. To keep covered up until recovered.



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Rubella* (German measles)	5 days from onset of rash.	Preventable by vaccination with 1 doses of MMR. Promote MMR for all pupils and staff. Pregnant staff contacts should seek prompt advice from their GP or midwife.
Scabies	Can return after first treatment.	Household and close contacts require treatment at the same time.
Scarlet fever*	Exclude until 24 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.	Individuals who decline treatment with antibiotics should be excluded until resolution of symptoms. In the event of 2 or more suspected cases, please contact you UKHSA HPT.
Slapped cheek/Fifth disease/Pavovirus B19	None (once rash has developed).	Pregnant contacts of case should consult with their GP or midwife and setting will act accordingly.
Threadworms	Exclude until 24 hours after starting treatment.	Treatment recommended for child and household.
Tonsillitis	None	There are many causes, but most cases are due to viruses and do not need or respond to an antibiotic treatment.
Tuberculosis* (TB)	Until at least 2 weeks after the start of effective antibiotic treatment (if pulmonary TB). Exclusion not required for non-pulmonary or latent TB infection. Always consult your local HPT before disseminating information to staff, parents and carers.	Only pulmonary (lung) TB is infectious to others, needs close, prolonged contact to spread. Your local HPT will organise any contact tracing.
Warts and verrucae	None	Verrucae should be covered in swimming pools, gyms and changing rooms.
Whooping cough (pertussis)*	2 days from starting antibiotic treatment, or 21 days from onset of symptoms if no antibiotics.	Preventable by vaccination. After treatment, non-infectious coughing may continue for many weeks. Your local HPT will organise any contact tracing.