

Walthamstow Montessori School

Children's Health Matters FAQs

When should I keep my child off school? Until...

Diarrhoea and Vomiting: 48 hours after their last episode

Chickenpox: at least 5 days from the onset of the rash and until all blisters have crusted over

Cold and Flu-like symptoms: they no longer have a high temperature and feel well enough to attend. *Follow the national guidance if they've tested positive for Covid-19*

Impetigo: their sores have crusted and healed, or 48 hours after they started antibiotics

Measles: 4 days after the rash first appeared

Mumps: 5 days after the swelling started

Scabies: they've had their first treatment

Conjunctivitis: as soon as they have started treatment, or if they are not using treatment they can return once symptoms have completely gone

Scarlet Fever: 24 hours after they started taking antibiotics

Whooping Cough: 48 hours after they started taking antibiotics

Your child does not need to be kept off school, but you must make us aware of any cases of the following:

Hand, foot, and mouth

Glandular fever

Headlice

Tonsillitis

Threadworms

Slapped cheek

If you child has required Calpol or Ibuprofen before school, **please do not send them in.** Their symptoms will return when the medication wears off and they are not well enough for school.

If your child is on antibiotics: they can return 24 hours after starting the course, to ensure they have no adverse reactions.

If your child requires medication temporarily at school: please contact the office. You must complete a 'permission to administer medication' form and medicine must be handed directly to a teacher and **not** in your child's bag.

References can be made in full to your signed terms and conditions when accepting a place. Also make reference our illness, medication, and absence policies; these are on our website and in the parents' policy folder available on request at the school doors.

Please ensure your Emergency Contacts are up to date and that your child can be collected within 20 minutes if they become unwell.