

# Health

## **Medication and Special Requirements**

If your child has a specific medical condition that requires medication or ongoing treatment/ monitoring i.e. Asthma, Anaphylaxis, Diabetes, Epilepsy etc. we require Health Support Plans and Safety and Risk management plans to be completed by you and our staff and Medication Authority and Health Care Plans to be completed by your GP. These forms need to be completed prior to your child attending.

All medication/puffers must be given to a staff member. We must have an administration of medication form signed by your child's doctor if they need any medication at preschool (including antibiotics). Medication needs to be in it's original packaging with a prescription label with child's full name and Date of Birth We will not administer any medication without this documentation. On administration of medication staff will complete a medication log which will be shared with you.

Please do not send your child to Preschool if they are feeling unwell. The best place is for them at home where they can receive the care that they need. Also it is not reasonable to expose other children or staff to unnecessary germs. If your child becomes ill at Preschool we will contact you.

If your child has any symptoms of Covid they will not be permitted to attend Preschool. If your child is required to have a Covid test, please notify us.

## **Infectious Diseases**

The following information has been supplied by the National Health and Medical Research Council re exclusion from Preschool of a child with the following diseases / ailments. Please inform staff if your child has any of the following as we are required to share information with all families about cases of illness.

Condition	Exclusion
Chicken Pox	Exclude until all blisters have dried (usually 5 days)
Conjunctivitis	Exclude until discharge from eyes has ceased
Diarrhoea	Exclude until no diarrhoea for 24 hours
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.
Hand, Foot & Mouth disease	Exclude until all blisters have dried
HIB	Exclude until person has received appropriate antibiotic treatment for at least 4 days.
Head lice	Exclude until appropriate treatment has commenced
Hepatitis A	Exclude until a medical certificate of recover is received, but not before 7 days after the onset of jaundice or illness.
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.
Influenza and flu like illnesses	Exclude until well
Measles	Exclude for at least 4 days after onset of rash
Meningitis (bacterial)	Exclude until well and has received appropriate antibiotics
Meningococcal infection	Exclude until appropriate antibiotic treatment completed and until well
Mumps	Exclude for 9 days after onset of swelling
Ringworm, pediculosis (lice), trachoma, scabies	Exclude until the day after appropriate treatment has commenced
Rubella (German Measles)	Exclude until fully recovered or for at least 4 days after the onset of rash
Salmonella, Shigella	Exclude until no diarrhoea for 24 hours
Streptococcal infection (including scarlet fever)	Exclude until the child has received antibiotic treatment for at least 24 hours and the child feels well.
Tuberculosis	Exclude until a medical certificate from an appropriate health authority is received
Whooping cough	Exclude the child for 5 days after starting antibiotic treatment or 21 days from the onset of coughing
Worms (intestinal)	Exclude if diarrhoea present.

### First Aid

In the event of a serious accident we will call you, or your child's emergency contact. Staff will provide first aid and call an ambulance if needed.

If your child has a minor accident we will provide first aid, and an entry will be made in our minor injury log and explained to you via dojo/ at pick up time. This may include staff contacting you by phone (eg: for any head trauma). We complete further documentation if any medical advice is sought.