

## The Magic Tower Montessori Nursery School

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### INFECTION CONTROL POLICY

*Children who are unwell with an infectious disease should not be at nursery school. Once they are better they should return unless they pose a risk of infection to others. They should not return to nursery school until the risk has passed.*

#### MINIMUM PERIOD TO BE KEPT AWAY FROM NURSERY SCHOOL

Chickenpox	At least 5 days from onset of rash, until spots have crusted
Conjunctivitis	At least 24 hours of treatment and until there is no discharge from eyes
Diarrhoea and/or Vomiting	<u>48 hours</u> from the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting
Diphtheria	Exclusion is essential until recovered
German Measles (Rubella)	6 days from onset of rash
Hand Foot and Mouth disease	24 hours of treatment or longer if specified by GP
Head Lice	Once treatment has been given
Hepatitis A	7 days from onset of jaundice or symptom (if no jaundice)
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted or healed
Measles	5 days from onset of rash
Mumps	5 days from onset of swollen glands
Ringworm	24 hours of treatment or longer if specified by GP
Scabies	Until properly treated (treatment to include all the persons in the household)
Scarlet fever	5 days from commencing antibiotic treatment
Shingles	5 days from onset of rash
Slapped Cheek disease (Parvovirus)	Specified by GP. Any pregnant woman exposed to the infection must be alerted.
Tonsillitis	Specified by GP
Threadworm	24 hours of treatment or longer if specified by GP
Whooping cough	5 days from commencing antibiotic treatment or 21 days from onset of illness if no antibiotic treatment

**FEVER** : CHILDREN WITH FEVER MAY NOT RETURN TO SCHOOL UNTIL THEIR TEMPERATURE HAS BEEN NORMAL FOR AT LEAST 24 HOURS (AND WITHOUT MEDICATION E.G. CALPOL/NUROFEN KEEPING THE TEMPERATURE DOWN!)

**CALPOL/NUROFEN**: As a precaution to minimise the risk of infection, children who have been given Calpol or Nurofen for whatever reason, should not be at nursery for 24 hours after administering the medication.

**NOTE: If your child develops any form of illness please promptly inform the school - this will enable us to take any necessary action to minimise the risk of infection, and also to inform vulnerable persons who may be exposed to the infection.**