

Safeguarding and Welfare Requirements: Health and Safety

Illness Procedure – Children’s Service

If your child is unwell please refrain from bringing them to the Centre and contact us for advice re returning.

Not only do illnesses spread around the Centre very quickly but your child will be open to other infections. If your child has a condition which may be infectious /contagious, please inform staff.

We consider the following to be infectious/contagious conditions and advise you to seek medical advice before returning your child to the Centre.

- Chicken Pox
- German Measles
- Measles
- Mumps
- Whooping Cough
- Pink eye or Sticky eye/Conjunctivitis
- Head lice
- Diarrhoea (including Food Poisoning) and/or vomiting – 48 hours after symptoms have stopped

You will need to advise the Centre if your child has been diagnosed with any of the above.

Most of our children are prone to illness. Due to the close contact with staff and children, infection can easily be transferred and therefore your child may only return when they are free of the infection.

**If your child has flu/flu-like symptoms, please do not bring them to the Centre.
 If your child has a cold, please seek advice/ring us.
 If your child is on antibiotics please do not bring them to the Centre, unless it was prescribed as a preventative measure.**

If your child is absent from the Centre for more than 2 weeks, you will be asked to complete an Absence Form (Appendix 20) on their return.

If your child’s absence is due to medical intervention, you will be asked to complete a Medical Intervention Form (Appendix 21) on their return.

For the welfare of all children and staff, the Rainbow Centre takes advice from Fareham Borough Council Environmental Health Department and undertakes to follow their instructions fully. However, all cases will be looked at individually taking into account the interests of the whole group.

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