

Infectious Disease	Exclusion rules
Athletes Foot	Do not exclude – recommend a visit to the pharmacy for treatment
Chickenpox	For 5-days from onset of rash.
Conjunctivitis	Until eyes have stopped discharging.
Coronavirus	Children and young people should not attend if they have a high temperature and are unwell. Children and young people who have a positive test result for COVID-19 should not attend the setting for 3 days after the day of the test
Cryptosporidiosis	Exclude for 48-hours after the last episode of diarrhoea.
Diarrhoea and vomiting	For 48-hours from the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting (i.e. the 48-hour rule applies).
Diphtheria *	Exclude immediately and all members of the family – contact HPU and undertake contact trace.
E.coli O157	Exclusion is essential for some children. Consult the HPU.
Flu.	Until recovered
Food poisoning	Until free of symptoms (diarrhoea and vomiting) for 48-hours.
Glandular fever	Until recovered.
Hand, Foot and Mouth	Until after a fever, has passed and the child feels well
Head lice	Exclude until there are no live lice. Treatment is required only where live head lice are found.
Hepatitis A, *	For 7-days from the onset of jaundice for children under five
Hepatitis B,C, HIV	None
Herpes Simplex (Cold sores)	Do not exclude. Avoid contact with the sore/s
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted or healed or 48 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.
Measles.	For 4-days from the onset of rash
Meningococcal meningitis* or septicaemia*	Until recovered
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Molluscum Contagiosum	Do not exclude (a self-limiting condition)
MRSA	Do not exclude.
Mumps *	For 5-days from the onset of swollen glands.
Ringworm	Do not exclude but ensure treatment commences as prescribed by a GP.

Roseola (infantum)	Do not exclude
Rubella *	For 5-days from the onset of rash.
Scabies	A child can return after the first treatment has commenced.
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 your UKHSA HPT
Shigella (dysentery)	Exclusion may be necessary. Consult the HPU.
Shingles	Exclude only if the rash is weeping, and exclude until weeping has ceased.
Slapped cheek/Fifth disease/Parvovirus B19	None (once rash has developed) Pregnant contacts of case should consult with their GP or midwife
Threadworm	Treatment is required for the affected child and family members. Exclude for 24 hours after the first treatment is given
Tuberculosis *	For 2-weeks after treatment has started. HPU will advise on any action. Only pulmonary (lung) TB is infectious to others, needs close, prolonged contact to spread.
Typhoid (and paratyphoid)	Exclusion is essential for some children. Always consult with HPU.
Warts and verruca	Do not exclude. Must be covered if shoes off.
Whooping Cough *	2 days from starting antibiotic treatment, or 21 days from onset of symptoms if no antibiotics

*denotes a notifiable disease. It is a statutory requirement to report such a disease.

Staff must upload onto the AMS system and notify via the Compliance email.

These exclusion guidelines have come from the Health Protection agency 2010) document – guidance on infection control in schools and other care settings

Updates

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Updates to Coronavirus , Hand foot and mouth, Hepatitis A, Measles, Scarlett fever, Whooping cough
Added Slapped Cheek as an Infectious disease.

Update to Rubella and Tuberculosis notification status