



Ripley Court School



13b Sick leave guidance for illness

This policy is applicable to all pupils, including those in the Early Years Foundation Stage.

The following constitutes current NHS advice as provided by Dr Coe, Ripley Court governor and GP. We do ask parents to observe these in order to avoid spreading the infection, and will refuse entry to an infected child until these criteria are met.

Children should not be brought to school within 24 hours of having a temperature, vomiting or generally feeling unwell (see additional exclusion for gastroenteritis below).

Children must be absent for 6 days:

From rash onset GERMAN MEASLES {Rubella}

Children must be absent for 5 days:

From rash onset CHICKENPOX, MEASLES

From starting antibiotics WHOOPING COUGH

From onset of swollen glands MUMPS

Children must be absent for 24 Hours:

From starting antibiotics: SCARLET FEVER

Children must be absent until 24 hours after the last symptom:

SALMONELLA, SHIGELLA, GIARDIASIS

Children must stay away until the lesions have crusted or healed or 48 hours after beginning antibiotics:

IMPETIGO

Children must stay away until these infections are properly treated:

SCABIES

GASTROENTERITIS: Children should not attend school until at least **48 hours** after last episode diarrhoea / vomiting. Children should not swim in swimming pool until **2 weeks** after last episode of diarrhoea.

SHINGLES: excluded only if rash is weeping and cannot be covered.

Children may come to school with these conditions, providing they feel well enough and have no elevated temperature:

SLAPPED CHEEK DISEASE {Parvovirus}, CONJUNCTIVITIS, GLANDULAR FEVER, HEAD LICE, THREAD WORM, COLD SORES, MOLLUSCUM CONTAGIOSUM, ATHLETES FOOT, WARTS AND VERRUCAE (swimming sock will be required), THREAD WORM, ROSEOLA

HAND FOOT AND MOUTH DISEASE: Infected children should be excluded while they are unwell. Providing the child is well he/she can return to school prior to the disappearance of the last blisters.