



UNWELL CHILD POLICY

At Worstead Pre-school we take illness very seriously and work hard to keep children safe.

If your child is too unwell to attend the Pre-school, we ask that you keep your child/children at home until they are well enough to return. Please contact the Pre-school to let us know your child/children will not be attending and why.

We advise parents/carers to seek medical advice if they suspect an illness or contagious infection. Worstead Pre-school can refuse admission to children who have a raised temperature, sickness, diarrhoea and contagious infection or disease.

If your child becomes unwell during their time at Pre-school, we will contact parents/carers to come and collect their child as soon as possible. Your child's temperature will be taken using an ear thermometer and checked regularly by a staff member.

When children have a raised temperature, staff will try to cool down the child by removing top clothing and using a cool cloth on the forehead.

In an emergency an ambulance will be called, and parents/carers will be informed.

After diarrhoea or vomiting parents/carers are asked to keep their children home for 48 hours following the last episode.

When children are prescribed antibiotics/medications from the doctor, we ask that children be kept at home for 48hours.

All medications will be logged and stored according to manufacturer's instructions; medications will be administered as advised by the Doctor. Medications must be in the original packaging with the children's details. Dates on medication will be checked.

Some activities such as brushing teeth, sand and water play will be suspended during any outbreak.

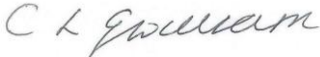

Please see the link to know when to keep your child/children off school

[Is my child too ill for school? - NHS](#)

[Should I keep my child off school checklist poster](#)

We do exclude for Nits and Headlice but there may be times when parents/carers are advised to treat the child and keep them away from the setting until the infestation is cleared to avoid spreading.

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