

Stower Vale Pre-School
MANAGING SICK CHILDREN POLICY

Stower Vale Pre-School will do all it can to support children who become sick while attending the setting. Parents will be asked to supply a range of contact numbers so they can be contacted quickly should their child fall ill. These records will be updated regularly.

Staff will be trained to recognise the signs of illness and to respond accordingly. If a child/member of staff becomes sick whilst attending the Pre-school they will be taken to an area away from the other children, to ensure that infection is kept to a minimum whilst waiting to be collected or leave the setting. Any facilities used by the person showing signs of infection will be thoroughly cleaned before any further use, using appropriate products as suggested by Public Health England. Staff will refer to The Spotty Book 'Notes on infectious diseases in schools' (published October 2017).

If a child's condition deteriorates rapidly and gives cause for concern, an ambulance will be called. The parents will be informed immediately & the child's emergency contact details/allergies will be handed to the paramedic in case of absence of parent an appropriate adult/parent will accompany the child to hospital.

Parents will be informed whenever an outbreak of infectious disease occurs in the setting. They will be informed of the symptoms to look out for in their own child. Staff in the setting will follow strict hygiene routines at all times to minimise the spread of infection.

Children suffering from certain infectious diseases will be excluded from the setting the purpose of these exclusion periods is to protect other children and adults in the setting from disease. Please refer to 'Guidance on infection controls in schools & other childcare settings. (this info is in operational plan in preschool)

The Dorset Health Protection Team and Ofsted will be informed whenever an outbreak of a notifiable disease occurs in the setting.

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