



Health/Illness and Emergency Policy

It is St Paul's Preschool policy to encourage and promote good health and hygiene for all the children in our care. This includes monitoring the children for signs and symptoms of communicable diseases such as chickenpox, measles, mumps, rubella, meningitis, hepatitis, diarrhoea, vomiting and fevers of 101°F/38°C or over. With the welfare of the sick child in mind and in the interest of the remaining children in the preschool, if in the opinion of the staff a child is ill, then the parent/carer will be contacted and requested to collect him/her as soon as possible.

The senior staff of the preschool must be convinced that the child has returned in good health before re-admitting him/her. The "Spotty Book" and Guidance on Infection Control in Schools and other Childcare Settings poster will be consulted for periods of incubation.

In the case of a serious accident or illness occurring then the parent/carer will be contacted immediately along with the Child's GP and appropriate action taken. In the unlikely event of the parent not being available the senior staff member will assume charge and if necessary take the child to hospital along with all the relevant details.

A parent is required through legislation to give permission for all hospital treatment for their child. Parents/carer's on registering their child/children at St Paul's Pre-School will therefore be required to sign the registration form giving the relevant permission.

If any parent objects to any of the above they will need to put their concerns in writing to the manager or trustees.

OFSTED and RIDOR will also be informed of serious accident or illness.

Approval by the Management Committee:	
Signed:	
Chair:	
Date:	
The next review by the Management Committee will be:	