

AKELEY WOOD NURSERY: ILLNESSES AND INJURIES

It is the nursery policy to encourage and promote good health and hygiene for all of the children in our care. This includes monitoring children for signs and symptoms of communicable diseases such as chickenpox, measles, mumps, rubella, meningitis etc. This also includes monitoring fevers of 101 degrees F/38 degrees C or over.

With the welfare of the sick child in mind and in the interests of the remaining children within the nursery, 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.

Akeley Wood Nursery staff must be sure that the child has returned to good health before re-admitting him/her.

In the case of a serious accident or illness occurring then the parent/carer will be contacted immediately and the appropriate action will be taken. In the unlikely event of the parent not being available then the manager will contact the child's emergency contacts. If no contact can be made then the manager will assume charge and if necessary then take the child to hospital along with all of the relevant details.

The following procedures will be followed in the event of:

MINOR ACCIDENTS

At all times the staff must wear protective clothing (disposable aprons and gloves)

- 1. The injury is assessed by the member of staff and the Room Manager is informed.
- 2. The injury is treated.
- 3. The child is then settled back into nursery and observed. These observations are recorded.
- 4. If it is a bump to the head, then parents are contacted immediately to inform them of the incident. Staff must monitor child and inform the Room Manager of

any changes in the child i.e. sudden sleepiness, sickness, if the child seems dazed.

- 5. The incident is to be recorded in the accident book and this will be signed by the child's parent at the end of the day.
- 6. The accident forms are to be checked regularly by a senior member of staff to check for any patterns emerging.

MAJOR ACCIDENTS

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- 1. The Room Manager, Head of Nursery and Headteacher will assess the situation and decide whether the child needs to go immediately to hospital or whether the child can wait for the parent/main carer to arrive. In cases of emergency we will use Milton Keynes Hospital.
- a) If the child needs to go straight to hospital then an ambulance will be called. The parent/ main carer will be contacted and arrangements will be made to meet them at the hospital. A member of staff will accompany the child to the hospital, but will not sign for any treatment to be carried out.
- b) If the child can wait for the parent/carer to come. Then the parent will be contacted and the child will be made as comfortable as possible. A member of staff will stay with the child until the parent/carer arrives. It will then be for the parent/carer to decide whether to go to the hospital or not.
- 2. A report of the accident will then be reported in the accident book.
- 3. The requirements to notify Ofsted include where there is a serious accident, illness or injury to, or death of, any child while in the provider's care, and the action taken as a result. Providers must notify Ofsted about:
 - the death of a child while in their care, or later, as the result of something that happened while the child was in their care
 - death or serious accident or serious injury to any other person on the premises (Childcare Register only)
 - serious injuries
 - where a child in the provider's care needs to go to an accident and emergency department of a hospital (and requires hospitalisation for more than 24 hours), either directly from the provision or later, as the result of something that happened while the child was in the provider's care
 - any significant event that is likely to affect the provider's suitability to care for children.

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Signed

Mrs C G Page

Headteacher

Minimum Periods of Exclusion from Akeley Wood Nursery

Disease/Illness	Minimal Exclusion Period
Antibiotics prescribed	24 hours at home after the first dose of
	antibiotics
Vomiting	Child must be away from nursery for 48
	hours after the last episode of vomiting
Conjunctivitis	At home for minimum of a day; longer
	if eyes are still weeping if treated then
	the child can attend Nursery
Diarrhoea	At home for 48 hours after the last
	episode of diarrhoea
Chickenpox	7 days from appearance of rash and
	when all the spots have healed
Gastroenteritis	At home for 48 hours after last bout of
	sickness or diarrhoea
Infective Hepatitis	7 days from onset of jaundice
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Measles	7 days from appearance of rash
Meningitis	Until recovered from the illness
Mumps	Until the swelling has subsided and in
	no case less than 7 days from onset of
	illness
Whooping Cough	21 days from onset of cough
Scarlet Fever and Infection of the	Until appropriate medical treatment
throat	has been given and in no case for less
	than 3 days from the start of treatment
Tuberculosis	Until declared free from infection by
	the appropriate health official
Typhoid Fever	Until declared free from infection by
	the appropriate health official
Impetigo	Until the skin has healed or if area can
	be covered then the child can attend
	Nursery
Head Lice	Until appropriate treatment has been
	given
Warts	No exclusion. Should be treated and
	covered
Ringworm	Seldom necessary to exclude provided
	treatment has been given
Scabies	No exclusion once appropriate
	treatment has been given
Threadworms	No exclusion once appropriate
	treatment has been given and Nursery
	staff need to be made aware
Slap cheek	5 to 7 days and when the child is
	feeling better
Hand, foot and mouth	Until the spots and mouth ulcers have
	gone and the child is feeling better
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