

Ladybird Montessori Nursery Infection and Illness Policy 2026

There may be instances when it may be necessary to exclude a child from nursery, both for the child's wellbeing and to safeguard other children from infection.

If your child has a cold with green mucus and not fully well, please keep them at home until fully well.

Children should not be brought to Nursery if they are suffering from any of the following infections:

CONDITION	MINIMUM PERIOD OF EXCLUSION
Suspected Covid 19 A temperature, new cough,	Follow current Government guidelines. Stay at home and get a test. Report to Nursery.
Chickenpox	5 days from onset of rash
German Measles	4 days from onset of rash
Mumps	Until swelling has subsided
Whooping cough	5 days from commencing antibiotics or 21 days from onset of cough.
Impetigo	Until spots have healed.
Hand, foot and mouth disease	Until lesions have healed
Conjunctivitis	Until 24 hours after treatment or eyes are clear of stickiness.
Gastrointestinal Infection	Until at least 48 hours after diarrhoea and/or vomiting has stopped
Diarrhoea and vomiting	Until 48 hours after both have ceased
Scarlet fever	Away from nursery until at least 24 hours after starting antibiotic treatment.
Streptococcal infection (sore throat)	Until recovered or at least 48 hours on antibiotics
Temperature	Until temperature returns to normal. Please allow for at least 12 hours of a normal temperature before returning to Nursery.

Due to Ofsted regulations we are unable to give children medication unless we have your written permission in our medication book and instructions before hand. **We can only give antibiotics if your child has already been taking them for 48 hours in case of an allergic reaction.**

Parents/carers may be asked to collect a child during the day.

1. if it appears the child are suffering from any of the conditions above.
2. If your child becomes generally unwell and lethargic and is not coping with the nursery day.

If a child requires Calpol before coming to Nursery it is most likely that they are not well enough to attend.