



## Sickness Policy

Children and staff who attend Pippins will build up their immunity system. Occasionally they will become unwell. If Early Years Educators or your child has an illness, please follow the guidance below.

**Diarrhoea and/or Vomiting: The child or staff member must not return to Pippins until 48 hours after their last bout.**

**Infections or contagious diseases:**

Public Health England guidelines require children and staff to be absent from the setting if they have any infection or contagious disease. Parents/carers **MUST** inform Pippins if a child is sick or away, giving us a reason for their absence. This will enable the pre-school and nursery to alert other parents/carers of any infectious diseases and enable us to monitor any child who becomes unwell. Early Years Educators are referred to the requirements set out in their employment contract (including, amongst others, sickness absence reporting requirements).

**High Temperatures:**

- If your child develops a temperature of 38°C or above we will telephone you and you may be required to collect your child. If you have signed for medicine then we will follow our administering medication policy, if your child's temperature does not reduce to a safe temperature following medication, you will be required to collect your child. Your child should not return to the setting until their temperature has remained normal for at least 24 hours.

**Children who become unwell whilst attending Pippins:**

- You or a contact will be telephoned requesting you to collect your child who will be comforted and isolated if necessary, until someone arrives.

This policy was adopted at a meeting of Pippins Pre-school and Nursery

Held on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2025

Signed on behalf of the Management Trustee Directors

A handwritten signature in black ink that appears to read 'Chair'.

Role of signatory (e.g. Chair etc.)

Chair

Commenced 2007 - Reviewed 13.01.2025