

Do I need to keep my child off school?



Chicken Pox

At least 5 days from onset of rash and until all spots have crusted over

Conjunctivitis

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Diarrhea &/or Vomiting

48 hours from last episode

Respiratory Illness

(e.g. colds & flu)
Can return when no longer have a high temperature and well enough

Glandular Fever

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Hand, foot & mouth

No need to stay off if well enough, but school or nursery should be informed

Impetigo

Until lesions are crusted & healed or 48 hours after commencing antibiotics

Head Lice

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Measles

4 days from onset of rash

Mumps

5 days from onset of swelling

German Measles (Rubella)

5 days from onset of rash

Scarlet Fever

24 hours after commencing antibiotics

Scabies

Until after first treatment

Slapped Cheek

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Threadworms

No need to stay off but school or nursery should be informed

Tonsillitis

Can return when no longer have a temperature and well enough, school or nursery should be informed

Whooping Cough

48 hours after commencing antibiotics

Use this guide to find out when they should stay off, and when they can go back if they are well enough to do so.