



BROOK HOUSE NURSERY

POLICY ON UNWELL CHILDREN

Parents are asked not to bring their child to the Nursery if there has been an episode of diarrhea or vomiting within the previous 48 hours. They are similarly asked not to bring a child to the nursery who is pyrexial (raised body temperature/fever 38 C or above), had paracetamol/nurofen to treat the temperature, or obviously unwell.

When a child becomes unwell during a nursery session, it is our policy to contact the parent by telephone. The nursery first aider will give the child Calpol (with the parents permission) to treat high temperature (above 38C), if the temperature is not dropping within a reasonable time, the parents will be asked to collect the child immediately. The nursery will not give two doses of Calpol to a child. If the child develops temperature on a second consecutive day, Calpol will be given to regulate the temperature and the parents will be asked to collect the child, as this is the second day of a temperature.

If the child has a temperature for two consecutive days we ask the parents not to bring the child into the nursery to have time for the child to recover.

If we are unable to contact a parent, we try the emergency contact named on the application form. If this proves unsuccessful a member of staff will care for the child until we are able to contact a parent. Calopol will not be given before noon if we do not have confirmation from the parents that the child did not have Calpol earlier (risk of overdose). The manager, or her deputy, should be consulted before a parent is telephoned.

If a child's condition is considered to be deteriorating, the child will be taken to the West Middlesex Urgent Care Department (permission for this has been obtained on the Application Form) or/and an ambulance will be called.

If a child has had a contagious disease such as Chickenpox we ask the parents to see the family G.P. to check that the child is well enough to resume Nursery attendance.

<https://www.gov.uk/guidance/notifiable-diseases-and-causative-organisms-how-to-report#list-of-notifiable-diseases>

Calpol will be given, with the parent's permission, to treat pyrexia and to prevent the risk of febrile convulsion.

Hygiene / cleaning in non-healthcare settings:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings/covid-19-decontamination-in-non-healthcare-settings>

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