



GUIDANCE ON INFECTION CONTROL IN SCHOOLS

(as taken from the HSC Guide 2017 and PHE Covid Guidance)

Please telephone or email the school on the first day of absence and keep us informed of your child's progress if the illness is extended.

Infection	Recommended time away from school
Chickenpox	When all spots have crusted over.
Conjunctivitis	None, but treat as advised.
Covid-19 (advice as at 04/22)	Your child should try to stay at home and avoid contact with other people if they have symptoms of COVID-19 and they either: • have a high temperature • do not feel well enough to go to school, college or childcare, or do their normal activities
	They can go back to school when they feel better or do not have a high temperature. If your child has mild symptoms such as a runny nose, sore throat or mild cough, and they feel well enough, they can go to school.
	If a child or young person has a positive COVID-19 test result they should stay at home and where possible avoid contact with other people for 3 days after the day, they took the test. The risk of passing the infection on to others is much lower after 3 days, if they feel well and do not have a high temperature. The school has the right to insist on this for the safety of others. There is no requirement to show a negative LFD test result before a child returns to school.
Flu	Until recovered, but take doctor's advice.
Head Lice	None, but treat as advised.
Impetigo	Until the lesions have crusted over and healed OR 48 hrs after starting antibiotic treatment.
Measles	4 days from the onset of the rash.
Sickness and diarrhoea	48 hrs from last episode of vomiting or diarrhoea. The school will notify you if the norovirus has been officially diagnosed.
Rubella (German measles)	4 days from the onset of the rash.
Worms	None, but treat as advised.