



ILLNESS AND ABSENCE PERIODS

Please find below a list of illness and their required absence periods:

Chicken Pox	Until rash has crusted over	
Cold	Until better	
Cold sores	None	Avoid kissing and contact with the sores. Cold sores are generally mild and self-limiting.
Conjunctivitis	None	
Diarrhoea/Sickness	48 hours from last episode	
German Measles	4 days from onset of rash	
Glandular Fever	None	
Hand, Foot and Mouth	None	
Headlice	None	Only treat if live lice have been seen
Influenza	Until recovered	
Impetigo	Until lesions are crusted and healed, or 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment	Antibiotic treatment speeds healing and reduces infectious period
Measles	4 days from onset of rash	
Mumps	5 days after onset of swelling	
Ringworm	None	
Scabies	After first treatment	Household and close contacts require treatment
Scarlet Fever	24 hours after start of antibiotic treatment	
Slapped Cheek	None once rash has developed	
Tonsillitis	None	
Whooping Cough	48 hours from commencing antibiotic treatment	
Yellow Jaundice (Infectious Hepatitis)	7 days after onset of jaundice	

Could we please stress that the exclusion period from school if your child has sickness and / or diarrhoea is **48 HOURS**. This applies to all children regardless of the amount of times or reasons for vomiting. The wellbeing of our pupils and staff is paramount so it is important that we avoid the spread of this nasty bug, therefore we have to adhere to this timescale at all times; no exceptions will be made.

Please inform the School Office if your child is absent from school due to illness. **This can be done by ringing school on 01670 787383 and leaving a message on the answer machine or email the school office on admin@tritlington.northumberland.sch.uk**

These exclusion periods have been taken from the Public Health Agency's '*Guidance on infection control in schools and other childcare settings*' March 2017.

