

Dunkirk Fun Club Policies

19: Infectious and Communicable Diseases

****COVID addendums**

Our club is committed to the health and safety of all children and staff who play, learn and work here. As such, the club will take necessary steps to prevent the spread of infection. It will sometimes be necessary to require a poorly child to be collected early from a session or be kept at home while they get better. In such cases, the provisions of the Health, Illness and Emergency policy will be implemented.

In accordance with the procedures set out in the Health, Illness and Emergency policy, parents/carers will be notified immediately if their child has become ill and needs to go home. Poorly children will be comforted, kept safe and under close supervision until they are collected.

If a child has had to go home prematurely due to illness, they should remain at home until they are better for at least 48 hours, or according to the times set out in the table below.

****If a child becomes unwell in the club, with a new, continuous cough or a high temperature, they should be isolated behind a closed door in the FC medical room to await collection from parents/carers. Ventilation of the medical room is operated and the child is supervised by the designated room first aider (DRFA), who must be wearing PPE. The toilet should be cleaned and disinfected using standard cleaning products before re-using it by someone else should it have been used by the child awaiting collection. FC will let school know.**

The parent/carer of the child will be advised to self-isolate for 7 days. They should also be advised to book an appointment to be tested and asked to inform the club of the result once known. The club should be provided with a copy of the test result. Details of the suspected case should be digitally recorded and updated accordingly on receiving details of the test result. Where the child tests negative, they can return to school and the club.

The DRFA that has helped someone unwell with Covid-19 symptoms, and the children who have shared the room, do not need to go home unless they develop symptoms themselves or the child subsequently tests positive. They should wash their hands thoroughly for 20 seconds. The DRFA's PPE should be disposed of after use. The room must be thoroughly cleaned and the child's seat and items disinfected.

When a child tests positive, the rest of their group in the room should be sent home and advised to self-isolate for 14 days and the room should be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected. They should also be advised to book an appointment to be tested and asked to inform the club of the result once

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If a member of staff becomes ill at work, similar restrictions on their return will apply.

** Where sickness relates to COVID, sickness absence management procedures will continue, however it is recognised that some of the timescales for managing sickness absence processes may be relaxed during this time. The manager will discuss specific circumstances with the member of staff at the appropriate time.

**For staff experiencing COVID symptoms, or those who live with others who are experiencing symptoms, staff must follow the following:

In line with normal sickness absence reporting procedures, they should inform the manager. If they have Coronavirus symptoms and are **unable to work**, this will be recorded as sickness absence and sick pay will be covered in line with individual terms and conditions.

If they have Coronavirus symptoms but **feel able to work** then they would be asked to work from home. In these circumstances, the manager will talk about work that can be carried out from home. This will not be recorded as sickness absence pay will be as normal. (Can it apply to FC?). Any change in circumstance should be reported to the manager.

People falling into the extremely vulnerable group with existing health conditions are those who may be at particular risk due to complex health problems. People in these groups should work from home with immediate effect.

If a staff member becomes COVID symptomatic during work, they will need to go home immediately and self isolate. Their family members will also need to self isolate for 7 days. The staff member will need to be tested, and they will need to inform the club of the result. If negative, they can return to work. The staff and children within the staff member's room will not need to self isolate and can continue to attend the club until a positive test is recorded. If the staff member tests positive, then everyone in their room will have to go home immediately and self isolate for 14 days, as well as get tested themselves. In both instances, the room should be thoroughly cleaned.

If a child or member of staff becomes ill outside club hours, they should notify the club as soon as possible. The minimum exclusion periods outlined in the table below will then come into operation.

If any infectious or communicable disease is detected on the club's premises, the club will inform parents/carers personally in writing as soon as possible.

The club is committed to sharing as much information as possible about the source of the disease and the steps being taken to remove it. Ofsted will also be informed of any infectious or communicable diseases discovered on the club's premises.

Head lice

When a case of head lice is discovered at the club, the situation will be handled carefully and safely. The child concerned will not be isolated from other children, and there is no need for them to be excluded from activities or sessions at the club.

When the child concerned is collected, their parent/carer will be informed in a sensitive manner.

Other parents/carers will be informed as quickly as possible in writing, including advice and guidance on treating head lice.

Staff will check themselves regularly for lice and treat whenever necessary.

Minimum Exclusion Periods for Illness and Disease

DISEASE	PERIOD OF EXCLUSION
Antibiotics prescribed	First 24 hours
Chicken Pox	7 days from when the rash first appeared
Conjunctivitis	24 hours or until the eyes have stopped 'weeping'
**COVID	7-14 days dependant on test outcome. As well as the child/staff member's family.
Diarrhoea and/or vomiting	48 hours from last episode
Diphtheria	2-5 days
Gastro-enteritis, food poisoning, Salmonella and Dysentery	48 hours or until advised by the doctor
Glandular Fever	Until certified well
Hand, Foot and Mouth disease	During acute phase and while rash and ulcers are present
Hepatitis A	7 days from onset of jaundice & when recovered
Hepatitis B	Until clinically well
High temperature	24 hours
Impetigo	Until the skin has healed
Infective hepatitis	7 days from the onset
Measles	7 days from when the rash first appeared
Meningitis	Until certified well
Mumps	7 days minimum or until the swelling has subsided
Pediculosis (lice)	Until treatment has been given
Pertussis (Whooping cough)	21 days from the onset
Plantar warts	Should be treated and covered
Poliomyelitis	Until certified well
Ringworm of scalp	Until cured
Ringworm of the body	Until treatment has been given

Rubella (German Measles)	4 days from onset of rash
Scabies	Until treatment has been given
Scarlet fever and streptococcal infection of the throat	3 days from the start of the treatment
Tuberculosis	Until declared free from infection by a doctor
Typhoid fever	Until declared free from infection by a doctor
Warts (including Verrucae)	Exclusion not necessary. Sufferer should keep feet covered.

This list is not necessarily exhaustive, and staff are encouraged to contact local health services if they are in any doubt.

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