

**INFECTIOUS DISEASES RECOMMENDED MINIMUM PERIODS OF EXCLUSION FROM SCHOOL**

<b>DISEASE</b>	<b>PERIOD OF EXCLUSION</b>
Chicken Pox	Exclude until fully recovered or at least for at least 5 days after the eruption first appears. Note –some remaining scabs are not an indication for continued exclusion.
Conjunctivitis	Exclude until discharge from eyes has ceased (acutely infectious)
Diarrhoea (Rotavirus, Giardia, Salmonella, Campylobacter, Shingles)	Exclude until diarrhoea has ceased.
Diphtheria	Exclude until medical certificate.
Glandular Fever	Exclusion is not necessary.
Head Lice	Child will be readmitted when appropriate treatment has commenced.
Hepatitis A	Exclude until receipt of a medical certificate of recovery is obtained but not before 7 days after onset of jaundice.
Hepatitis B	Exclusion not necessary.
Hepatitis C	Exclusion not necessary.
Human Immunodeficiency Virus Infection (HIV)	Exclusion is not necessary unless the person has secondary infection requiring exclusion in its own right.
Impetigo (School Sores)	Exclude until sores have fully healed. The child may return to school, provided that appropriate treatment is being applied and that sores on exposed surfaces such as scalp, face, hands or legs are properly covered with suitable dressings.
Leprosy	Exclude until approval to return has been given by an appropriate health authority
Measles	Exclude for at least 4 days from the appearance of the rash
Meningitis (bacterial)	Exclude until well.
Meningococcal Infection	Exclude until well.
Mumps	Exclude for at least 9 days after onset of symptoms.
Poliomyelitis	Exclude for at least 14 days from onset. Readmit on production of a medical certificate of recovery.
Ringworm	Exclude until the day after treatment has commenced.
Rubella (German Measles)	Child to be excluded until appropriate medical treatment and a medical certificate of recovery is provided
Scabies	Child will be readmitted when appropriate treatment has commenced.
Scarlet Fever	Child to be excluded until appropriate medical treatment and a medical certificate of recovery is provided.
Streptococcal Infection (including Scarlet Fever)	Exclude until the person has received antibiotic treatment for at least 24 hours and the person feels well.
Tuberculosis	Exclude until production of medical certificate from appropriate health authority.
Typhoid and Paratyphoid Fever	Exclude until production of a medical certificate of recovery.
Whooping Cough	Exclude for 5 days after starting antibiotic treatment. NOTE: If the sick child has a brother or sister attending a Preschool Centre and that brother or sister has not had Whooping Cough, he or she is to be excluded for 21 days after the last exposure.

**STUDENTS who are unwell should not be allowed to attend school. The above guidelines were drawn up by the National Health and Medical Research Council**