



**PRAE WOOD PRIMARY SCHOOL**  
*Everyone Valued, Everyone Learning*

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## Health Protection Agency

### Guidance on Infection Control in Schools

If your son or daughter develops an infection there may be a set period of time during which they should not come to school. This is both for their benefit and the protection of their fellow pupils and staff.

For all diseases please see the following website which details the recommended period that pupils should be kept away from school:

[http://www.hpa.org.uk/webc/HPAwebFile/HPAweb\\_C/1194947358374](http://www.hpa.org.uk/webc/HPAwebFile/HPAweb_C/1194947358374)

Recommendations for some of the most common illnesses of childhood and adolescence are as follows:

- **Vomiting and Diarrhoea:** *Please may we draw your attention to the exclusion time for pupils who experience diarrhoea and/or vomiting. This includes food poisoning and gastroenteritis. The exclusion time is **48 hours** from the **last** episode of diarrhoea and / or vomiting.*
- **Mumps, Measles, Rubella, Chickenpox and Shingles:** It is important to notify the School Nurses if your child has any of these and especially before your child returns to school! (We may, on occasion, have pupils or teachers undergoing medical treatment whose immunity may be compromised)
- **Influenza (flu):** Until well enough to return.
- **Conjunctivitis:** May return to school once treatment has been commenced.
- **Verrucae:** Should be covered for swimming (KS2 only) and PE.
- **Scarlet Fever:** May return to school 2 days after commencing treatment.
- **Glandular Fever:** No exclusion time.