

## Illness Policy

I understand that as a working parent you need to be able to go to work however if your child is poorly then they will be more comfortable in their own home with yourself.

Whilst I am happy to care for children with minor coughs and colds I request that children are to be kept at home under the following circumstances:

- He/she has a fever or has had one within a **24 hour** period
- He/she has a heavy nasal discharge
- He/she has a constant cough not related to allergies
- He/she has been vomiting within the last **24 hours**
- He/she has symptoms of a possible communicable disease (these are usually sniffles, reddened eyes, sore throat, headache, abdominal pain or vomiting, or fever)
- He/she has mumps, measles, chicken pox, pink eye, lice, impetigo, conjunctivitis or any highly contagious condition
- He/she has had diarrhoea within the last **24 hours**

as it is important that I take into consideration the other children that are in my care.

If your child shows signs of illness during a childminding session I will use my knowledge and common sense and if I consider it important I will contact you to come and collect your child otherwise I will inform you when you arrive to collect your child.

If I or one of my children are poorly I will contact you to inform you of the nature of the illness and if I am able to work. This then allows you to decide whether you wish to bring your child or not.