



Sickness & Illness Policy

We have a responsibility to all the children in our care and want to make sure all sessions are enjoyable, achievable and safe for every child who joins us. We cannot achieve this without parents following our sickness and illness guidelines.

Children who are unwell at home

We ask that if your child is unwell on the morning of our session that they do not attend for their own wellbeing so they have time to recover and refuel and for the benefit of the other children who are healthy and well enough to enjoy the physical challenges and fun the sessions have to offer.

We ask that if your child has had a temperature that they do not attend a session until they have been without for a full day (24 hours) at home and for sickness and diarrhoea that they do not attend until a full two days (48 hours) at home without any symptoms. For any other illnesses please speak to your forest school leader.

Please ensure you inform the forest school leader if your child is unable to attend due to illness at least 30 minutes before your session is due to start to ensure we are not waiting for your arrival before heading into our site.

If a child becomes unwell during a session

If your child becomes unwell during a session we will do all we can to comfort your child and create a snuggly space for them until you arrive to collect your child.

Although our sessions are outdoors and the spread of infection is minimised your child will not be able to fully participate in the session if they are unwell and this impacts on their wellbeing as well as the wellbeing of others and so we will call you to collect them as soon as possible.

In the eventuality of a high temperature (38 degrees Celsius and above) we will administer one dose of calpol to reduce the symptoms of fever if prior parental consent has been given.

In the case of a temperature above 40 degrees Celsius and where parents are not contactable and/or the child shows signs of being seriously unwell further medical aid will be sought and an ambulance may be called.

Exclusion periods from sessions apply as above if your child continues to be ill prior to the next session.

Covid-19

If your child or any member of your household are showing symptoms of Covid-19 such as high temperature, new continuous cough or a change in taste then please do not attend the session, stay at home and follow government guidelines for isolation periods and testing before you return to the next session.

If your child becomes unwell during a session or tests positive for Covid-19 shortly after attending a session please ensure you inform your forest school leader as soon as possible so we can follow government guidelines for the protection of all who attend our sessions.

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