



# Immunisation Policy

We recognise, where possible, that children are vaccinated in accordance with their age. If children are not vaccinated, it is the responsibility of the parents to inform the Pre-school when filling out the medical form. Parents need to be aware that some children will not be vaccinated in the Pre-school. This may be due to their age, medical reasons or parental choice. Our Pre-school does not discriminate against children who have not received their immunisations and will not disclose individual details to other parents. However, we hold the right to share the risks of infection if children have not had immunisations and ask parents to sign a disclaimer.

Information regarding immunisations will be recorded on the child's medical form and updated as and when necessary, including when the child reaches the age for the appropriate immunisations so that the Pre-school manager will be aware of any children who are not vaccinated within the Pre-school in accordance with their age.

## Staff vaccinations policy

It is the responsibility of all staff to ensure they keep up to date with their vaccinations for:

- Tetanus
- Tuberculosis
- Rubella (\* Women of childbearing age should check with their GP that they are immune to the rubella (German measles) virus. Those who are not immune should be immunised with MMR vaccine. The vaccine should not be given during pregnancy).
- Hepatitis (\* Hepatitis B vaccine is not recommended for routine school or nursery contacts of an infected child or adult. Hepatitis B vaccine is, however, recommended for staff who are involved in the care of children with severe learning disability or challenging behaviour, and for these children. In such circumstances, it is the responsibility of the employer to finance the vaccine programme).
- Polio.

If a member of staff is unsure as to whether they are up to date, then we recommend that they visit their GP or practice nurse for their own good health.

## Emergency Information

Emergency information should be kept for every child and should be updated every six months with regular reminders to parents in newsletters, via our Facebook/WhatsApp page and a reminder notice on the Parent Information Board.

## Immunisations

By the age of two all children should have received three doses of diphtheria/tetanus/whooping cough/Hib and polio immunizations and at least one dose of measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) immunization. By age 5 all children should, in addition, have had a booster of diphtheria, tetanus and polio, and a second dose of MMR.

Please see detailed table on next page.

\*statement taken from Government Guidance.

Age Due	What is Given to Protect	Vaccine Given
8 weeks	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), polio and Haemophilus influenza type b (Hib)  Pneumococcal (13 serotypes)  Meningococcal group B (MenB)2  Rotavirus gastroenteritis	DTaP/IPV/Hib  Pneumococcal conjugate Vaccine  MenB2  Rotavirus
12 weeks	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio and Hib  Meningococcal group C (MenC)  Rotavirus	DTaP/IPV/Hib  MenC  Rotavirus
16 weeks	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis, polio and Hib  MenB2  Pneumococcal (13 serotypes)	DTaP/IPV/Hib  MenB2  PVC
One year	Hib and MenC  Pneumococcal (13 serotypes)  Measles, mumps and rubella (German measles)  MenB2	Hib/MenC booster  PVC Booster  MMR  MenB booster
Two to Six-year-olds(including in school Years 1-2)	Influenza (each year from September)	Live attenuated influenza vaccine LAIV4
Three Years & 4 Months	Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis and polio  Measles, mumps and rubella	DTaP/IPV  MMR (check first dose given)

Information regarding any vaccination offered through the NHS can be found on the NHS website.

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Date	Changes