

## Ill Health Procedures – Stephen Perse Foundation

This policy applies to all pupils in the Stephen Perse Foundation including those in the Early Years.

### Illness in School

If a pupil feels unwell in school, it is the responsibility of the class teacher or a member of staff on duty in the first instance to try to establish the cause. The member of staff or a pupil as deemed appropriate, should escort the pupil to the medical area and inform the School Healthcare Practitioner or School Office who will then if necessary locate a first aider or member of the school's leadership team.

### Illness outside School

The Foundation aims to ensure we provide a safe and healthy environment for our children. For this reason we ask parents to ensure they adhere to the following guidelines to minimise the risk of spread of infection. We ask, with any period of absence, that you keep us informed about how your child is and whether you have had to seek medical advice outside school.

### Diarrhoea and Vomiting

If your child has been unwell at home with sickness and/or diarrhoea, please keep him/her off school for 48 hours following the last episode of illness.

- If your child is sick and /or has had diarrhoea at school, we will contact you to collect him/her as soon as possible. Your child should then remain off school for a minimum 48 hour period following the last episode of illness.
- Although your child may feel better before then, this is in the interest of preventing the spread of infection to other children and staff, in accordance with Public Health England Guidance.
- When your child returns to school, we ask that he/she is well enough to be eating normally and partaking in normal school activities and that his/her temperature is within normal limits.
- Please do not send your child in if he/she has a temperature.
- He/she should remain at home until he/she has been 24 hours without a temperature to stop the spread of infection.

For all other childhood illness and infections, please follow this link to Public Health England guidance on infection control in schools:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities>

**Please also refer to the:**

First Aid Policy - SPF

Supporting Pupils with Medical Conditions - SPF

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