

## **Home-Grown in Malvern** **Care of Sick Children Policy**

This document is to confirm that, under the terms of our registration, we are unable to care for a child who is unwell.

We will not be able to accept a child who has been sick or has had diarrhoea. 48 hours must have passed from the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea before the child can return to our care.

You must not send your child to Home-Grown if they have a high temperature of 38°C or above, or if they have been given Calpol to lower a high temperature due to illness in order to attend the setting.

It is very important for parents to make us aware if their child has been ill during the night or whilst in their care away from the setting, as we may not be able to care for them due to their illness. We do not wish to put any other children or members of staff at risk of becoming poorly too.

Where there has been a head lice infestation, the child must have been treated and pronounced clear before they can return.

If a child becomes unwell at school, it is the parent's responsibility to collect them. Under certain conditions such as for earache or a sore throat, we may be able to collect them, subject to the number of children that we are caring for at that time. However, if the school is unspecific, or the child is considered especially ill/injured you must collect them yourselves.

If a child becomes unwell during the day whilst in our care we will use our discretion, but if we should telephone you to come and collect him/her, we expect you to do so as soon as possible.

Signed:

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