

# When should my child return to school/ childcare?



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## Chicken Pox

When scabs are dry

## Conjunctivitis

No need to stay out\*

## Diarrhoea or Vomiting

48 hours after the last episode

## Flu

5 days after start of illness

## Glandular Fever

No need to stay out\*

## Hand, foot & mouth

No need to stay out\*

## Head Lice

No need to stay out\*

## Impetigo

When scabs are dry or 24 hours after starting antibiotics

## Measles

4 days after rash appears

## Mumps

5 days after swelling appears

## Scabies

After first treatment

## Scarlet Fever

24 hours after starting antibiotics

## Slapped Cheek

No need to stay out\*

## Threadworms

No need to stay out\*

## Whooping Cough

5 days after starting antibiotics or 21 days after start of illness

This information is based on the Management of Infectious Diseases in Schools guidance document.

\*No need to stay out if child is well but school or childcare provider should be informed.