



POLICY DOCUMENT

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Introduction

This policy applies to the whole of Barton Hill Settlement, and is relevant primarily to the Family Centre. Staff have a responsibility to ensure that each child using the Family Centre is in good health, to ensure the wellbeing of all other users.

This policy is a guideline to staff, parent, carers and volunteers in the event of a child being unwell.

Staff responsibilities

If any child becomes unwell while attending the Family Centre, a staff member will ask the parent/carer to take the child home.

When the child returns, a staff member will talk with the parent/carer to make sure that the child is well enough to attend the session.

Parent/Carer responsibilities

If your child is unwell, please do not bring him/her to the Family Centre. Not only are certain illnesses contagious, but an unwell child wants and needs to be with their main carer.

If your child has vomited or had diarrhoea, please keep them off the premises for 48 hours since the last episode, to avoid passing illness on, not only to other children but also to other staff and service users.

If you are not bringing your child to their booked session because of illness, please inform the Family Centre, as these records are vital to our monitoring of attendance.

If your child attends another childcare/school setting and they are not deemed well enough to attend, please do not bring your child to the Family Centre. In the child's best interest we will not accept children in any of the sessions who are sick or recovering from an illness.