

Alpha Day Nursery Infectious Control Policy

It is the policy of the nursery to keep the children safe and prevent the spread of any form of infection in the nursery. Staff immunisation is requested at the beginning of employment.

A staff induction pack is available for all staff especially new entrants to read which explains amongst other things our cleaning procedure and other form of day to day running of the nursery.

Children's immunisation records are requested on our registration form to enable us to monitor the risk of infection in the nursery.

For the cleaning of any form of Spillage/vomit (refer to our spillage policy). The health and safety policy of the nursery has step by step guidelines on procedures for cleaning of spillages.

Reference can be made to the Croydon NHS (control of communicable disease in Schools, nurseries and other early years settings handbook)

Staff encourage and supervise children in ensuring that they wash their hands with soap and water after using the toilet or before and after meals.

Children's Toys are cleaned monthly or as the need arises.

If there is an outbreak due to cross infection/general enquiry about health and safety as it relates to preventing infection in the care setting, please contact:

Southwest London, Health Protection Agency Ground Floor, Teak Tower, Springfield university Hospital 61 Glenburnie Road, London SW17 7DJ Tel: 0208 812 7850

Hepatitis - This is an infectious disease that varies in severity. People infected may show no symptoms at all, whereas others could show signs of fever, loss of appetite, nausea, stomach cramps or appearing 'jaundiced'





Management Control

Good infection Control procedure

Regular and thorough hand washing procedure.

Wearing gloves and aprons where in contact with body fluids and waste/related spillages.

MRSA - up to 50% of the population carry the bacteria, which is generally harmless, however can cause infection that is resistant to antibiotics and requires much stronger medication to tackle it.

Since the bacteria are highly prevalent and transmitted person to person, it means that regular and good hygiene practices, through hand washing is essential.

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