Mt. Bethel Christian Preschool

When Should My Child Stay Home?

Throughout the year, we are asked this question regularly. Please notify your teacher or the office if your child is experiencing any illness. Names will be kept confidential.

Here are a few guidelines:

- COVID Policies: Subject to change with recommendations
 - If a child or teacher is diagnosed with COVID and has attended the class recently, the child or teacher will quarantine for 5 days.
 - We do not plan to quarantine students for exposure, but will notify the class if a positive case has occurred.
- FEVER –Your child should be without fever for 36 hours or more without fever reducing medicine. Keep in mind fevers are lower during the morning hours.
- VOMITING Your child should be without vomiting for 36 hours or more.
- RUNNY NOSES Yellow or green mucous may be related to an infection and your child should not be at school.
- STREP THROAT Your child should be on antibiotics for 36 hours or more.
- EAR INFECTION Your child should be on antibiotics for 24 hours or more.
- RASHES All rashes need to be cleared by a health professional before your child attends school.
- CHICKEN POX Your child may return to school when all lesions are crusted over.
- HEAD LICE Your child may return to school 24 hours after treatment and removal of all individual eggs.
- PIN WORMS Your child may return to school 24 hours after treatment
- CONJUNCTIVITIS (Pink Eye) Your child may return to school when discharge from eyes has stopped. For bacterial conjunctivitis, 36 hours after starting antibiotic drops. For viral infection, consult a physician.
- HAND-FOOT-and MOUTH Your child may return to school as soon as weeping lesions in the mouth and on their hands have healed.
- ROTAVIRUS Your child should be symptom free (diarrhea) for 36 hours. Symptoms can be present for four to six days.
- FIFTH DISEASE Children are infectious prior to any visible symptoms. There is no need to restrict attendance once the rash has appeared unless he/she feels too ill to attend. This can be a concern for pregnant women.