



Student Health

In an emergency our staff will administer basic first aid to students. If a child's injuries appear more serious we will make all attempts to contact parents to advise them of the problem. If, for some reason we cannot contact them we will make the decision to seek further help. If necessary, an ambulance will be called (parents will be responsible for any costs involved). At all times the safety of the child is our priority.

Our school has a comprehensive policy on prescribed medications. If prescribed medication forms a necessary part of your child's health plan, please discuss this with the Principal.

No medication can be administered by a staff member without written authorisation.

SICK CHILDREN EXCLUSION POLICY

Parents are advised that according to the Western Australian Department of Health Communicable Diseases Guidelines, students are to be excluded from school if they have the following illnesses.

- Chicken Pox – exclude until crusts have formed on rash and for at least 5 days from when rash first appears.
- Conjunctivitis – exclude until discharge from eye has ceased.
- Diarrhoea – exclude until 24 hours after diarrhoea has ceased.
- Hand, foot and mouth disease – exclude until blisters have formed crusts that are dry
- Impetigo (School Sores) – exclude for 24 hours after antibiotic treatment starts. Lesions on exposed skin need to be covered with a waterproof dressing.
- Influenza (Flu) – exclude until all symptoms are resolved.
- Measles – exclude for 4 days after rash appears in consultation with Public Health Staff.
- Mumps – exclude for 9 days after onset of symptoms.
- Pertussis (Whooping Cough) – exclude until 5 days after antibiotic treatment, or for 21 days from the onset of coughing.
- Pediculosis (Headlice) - exclude until after treatment has commenced and live lice are removed.
- Rubella (German Measles) – exclude for at least 4 days after onset of rash.

This list is not an exhaustive one but covers the most common illnesses that require exclusion. For more information refer to the Communicable Diseases Guidelines or contact the school office.

ALLERGY FRIENDLY SCHOOL

Gooseberry Hill Primary School is an Allergy Friendly School which means we understand that there are some students who have allergies to products and this requires us to be proactive to ensure the children are safe at school. It is for this reason that we say **no nuts or nut products** should be brought to school where nuts are a listed ingredient on the product.