

CURRO CASTLE  
INFORMATION LETTER REGARDING DISEASES AND MEDICATION

**NO ill children are allowed to attend the school.**

When is a child ill?

- High fever, i.e. above 38°C
- When taking antibiotics – especially the first two days, as certain antibiotics only kick in on the second day
- Very loose stool
- Vomiting
- Severe lung infections, e.g. bronchitis, pneumonia, etc.
- Any contagious disease, i.e. children's diseases e.g. measles, chicken pox, hand-foot & mouth disease, etc.
- Mouth sores
- Red/Pink eyes or eyes with a discharge
- Draining ears

Why not?

- The other children and staff may be infected
- A child that is on antibiotics the first two days, **is ill and do not want to be** in a class between other children and a high noise level – it is not fair towards the child.
- A child, who has a loose stool/vomiting, may dehydrate. When your child has had 3 loose stools or vomited 3 times, the school will contact you to fetch him/her.
- The school does not have any sick bay facilities.
- When a child is ill, he/she demands extra attention and supervision, which means the rest of the class and the specific education programme that we follow, will suffer the consequences.

Medication and medicine book.

- We are not allowed to admit any over the counter medication to learners.
- Only medication prescribed by a doctor along with a copy of the script will be given.
- Medication should be marked clearly.
- Please do not leave any medication in your child's bag. Medication needs to be handed in at reception and necessary forms needs to be completed.

Head lice:

- The children’s hair will be checked on a regular basis at school and a record will be on hand.
- You will be contacted to collect you child immediately if his/her hair is infected with head lice or nits.
- Unfortunately this is a reality and it occurs quite often. Please give us your full cooperation in this very sensitive matter

Allergies:

- We encourage you to get a Medic Alert bracelet should your little one suffer from allergies.
- It is in your child’s interest when he/she gets into situations when they cannot speak for themselves.
- Food allergies should be mentioned per letter

Immunisation card/booklet has to be up to date, thus inoculations as legally required.

Various injections are available to boost immunity, such as the flu vaccine. Speak to your pharmacist or GP for more information and when would be the best time to have it administered.

The school does understand that working parents find it difficult to take leave or make alternative arrangements when their child cannot attend school, but your child is after all your primary responsibility. Please complete the slip below and hand it in at the school/class teacher who will keep it on record for reference purposes.

Kind regards,

Sonnette Pretorius  
Head Curro Castle

TEAR-OFF SLIP

I have read and understand the medical policy.

Name of child:.....

Class: .....

Name of parent/guardian: .....

Signature of parent/guardian: .....

Date: .....