

First Steps Playgroup

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Dear Parents / Carers,

We have a child that attends First Steps who has leukaemia and is receiving chemotherapy treatment. This can cause some side effects including poor immunity, which can lead to an increased risk of infection.

We have received advice that a child having chemotherapy should not mix with any infection other than everyday coughs and colds.

It is especially important to avoid chicken pox and measles. A child with leukaemia would need to be prescribed preventative medication if they are in close contact for 20 minutes or more with an infected person.

If your child has had a sickness bug, you must keep your child off for 48 hours after the last bout (which is our usual policy).

We are asking parents to be particularly mindful and **if you think your child is unwell with more than a common cough or cold, please would you carefully consider whether to bring them to Playgroup.** If in any doubt, please contact us and we will be happy to advise.

The parents wish to pass on their gratitude to everyone helping to keep their child safe while in the setting.-

We are continuing to keep the setting as germ free as we possibly can through our extra COVID-19 cleaning measures, including frequent hand washing routines and regular cleaning of the toys and surfaces throughout the day. We are also continuing to teach the children the 'catch it, kill it, bin it' approach to help limit the spread of infections within the setting.

Thank you very much for your support in this matter.

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