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Guidelines to parents on school attendance

Vranch House endeavours to support all children with additional needs to attend school.

We are aware that children's symptoms when they are unwell can sometimes be prolonged and that some children take much longer to get over mild illness.

Here are a few guidelines for your information:-

- Following a general anaesthetic please leave 24/48 hrs before returning to school, depending on the duration of sedation.
- Sickness & diarrhoea, the general rule is not to return to school for 48 hours after the last episode. Please consult nurses to discuss.
- If your child is generally unwell with lethargy, high temperature or copious secretions, please keep child at home until symptoms resolve or reduce. You may ring nurses to discuss.
- For general childhood illnesses or infections we refer to the Health Protection Agency Guidelines for advice.
- When children become unwell their condition can change very quickly.
 Decision making before school can be tricky. We are happy to discuss and re-evaluate with you during the day.
- Children can display signs and symptoms of mild illness and still attend school. Please discuss this with the nurse.

We must all be aware that we do have some vulnerable children in school who are at risk of becoming **very** unwell if exposed to certain infections. It is the duty and responsibility of the nurse to evaluate every Child's wellbeing and send children home if they deem them to be unfit for school.

Yours sincerely

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