**Statement of intent:**

The policy confirms the procedures that we will take should a child, member of staff or visitor enter the pre-school or be in contact with anyone from the pre-school and has a notifiable disease. Whilst children will pick up infections and illnesses, at Ladybirds we aim to ensure that the risk of them doing so are kept to an absolute minimum. This is also to protect our staff members.

**Infectious Diseases:**

The following are considered infectious diseases and must be reported immediately;

(updated February 2017)

Anthrax Ophthalmia neonatorum

Botulism Paratyphoid Fever

Brucellosis Pandemic Flu

Cholera Plague

Diphtheria Poliomyelitis (Acute)

Encephalitis (Acute) Rabies

Enteric Fever Relapsing fever

Food Poisoning (or suspected food poisoning) Rubella

Haemolytic uraemic syndrome Rabies

Haemorrhagic fever (viral) SARS

Hepatitis (viral, A, B, C, D, E) (Acute Infectious) Scarlet Fever

Infectious bloody diarrhoea Smallpox

Legionnaires Streptococcal (invasive group A)

Leprosy Tetanus

Leptospirosis Tuberculosis

Malaria Typhus

Measles Typhoid fever

Meningitis (viral, bacterial and fungal) Viral haemorrhagic fever

Meningococcal septicaemia Whooping cough

Mumps Yellow Fever

If a child, member of staff or visitor to the pre-school is suffering or suspected to be suffering from one of the above, the Health Protection Agency will be advised according. The telephone number for the Health Protection Agency Tel 0344 225 3861. The HPA will require details of the child’s name, address, date of birth and doctor’s details. OFSTED will also be notified along with Ludlow Infant School (in which Ladybirds Ludlow pre-school is situated) and a letter issued to all parents/carers at the pre-school advising them of the disease, the symptoms and what course of action is required. Telephone calls to the HPA and OFSTED may be followed up in writing.

Children must not return to pre-school until all symptoms have cleared, they have undergone the relevant treatment and if necessary their doctor has confirmed that they are safe to return.

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