

Fledglings Day Nursery

Emergency administration of non-prescribed fever relief (i.e. liquid paracetamol).

We will keep an emergency supply of non-prescribed fever relief that is appropriate for the age of the children in the nursery.

We will request written consent to administer fever relief in an emergency from the parent on the nursery's registration form.

If a child develops a high temperature (above 38 degrees), we will monitor the child's temperature and record 3 temperature levels over 30 minutes. This is to ensure that we have a correct temperature reading for the child. We will use a digital thermometer.

During this time we will: offer the child a drink of cool water, remove any extra clothing, not cuddle the child too closely if the child has requested a cuddle.

If the temperature continues to be high (above 38 degrees), the Manager, or Deputy Manager must contact the parents and:

- Inform them of the child's temperature
- Ask if the parent has administered any fever relief before the child arrived at nursery
- The parent will be asked for verbal consent to administer fever relief from the nursery's emergency supply. The fever relief will be administered as directed on the manufacturers dosage instructions. The parent must come and collect their child as soon as possible.

If the parent is not contactable, and the child has been in the nursery for over 4 hours, then the Manager or Deputy Manager can administer fever relief if prior written consent has been recorded on the registration form. The fever relief will be administered as directed on the manufacturers dosage instructions. The emergency contacts will then be called and must collect the child as soon as possible.

The child's temperature will be monitored every 10 minutes after the dose.

If the child's temperature rises above the levels below at any point:

3 – 6 month old baby to 39 degrees.

Baby/child over 6 months old to 40 degrees.

Then the parent must be contacted immediately and asked to collect the child if they are close to the nursery. If the estimated time of the parent arriving would be longer than an ambulance, then an ambulance must be called. Ofsted would then need to be informed.

Further info: <https://cks.nice.org.uk/feverish-children-management#!scenario>

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