



HUMPTY DUMPTY PRE-SCHOOL

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CONJUNCTIVITIS/EYE INFECTION POLICY

Here at Humpty Dumpty Pre-school we are committed to dealing efficiently and effectively with illness, therefore, to reduce the risk of infection spreading we follow appropriate procedures.

Conjunctivitis is a very common eye condition, which can be uncomfortable and irritating.

It usually affects both eyes at the same time, although it may start in one eye and spread to the other after a day or two.

There are several different types of Conjunctivitis, but the most common being bacterial conjunctivitis and viral conjunctivitis within our setting.

Bacterial Conjunctivitis

The eyes will feel gritty with a sticky discharge, the eyelids may stick together particularly in the mornings, with a discharge on the eyelashes and eyelids. This may need treating with antibiotic eye drops or ointment prescribed by the doctor.

Viral conjunctivitis:

The eyes will have a watery discharge, again this will feel uncomfortable and there may be a sign of a cold alongside. There is no effective treatment, however it is highly contagious. Therefore, a child with viral conjunctivitis cannot return to nursery until completely clear of the infection.

Children will not be able to attend nursery until they have had medicated eye drops for 24 hours, and as long as the child is well enough and happy enough to return to nursery.. If we suspect a child has a form of conjunctivitis/ eye infection we will contact a parent/career to collect their child.

Please see our Infection Control Policy for exclusion period.

This policy was adopted February 2026
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It will be reviewed annually