

## **2026 ILLNESS POLICY**

### **TO ALL PEEK-A-BOO PARENTS**

#### **REGARDING ILLNESSES AT PEEK-A-BOO :**

Peek-a-Boo has always held the belief and taken the stance that sick children should NOT be at playgroup. Parents whose children develop an illness or a temperature during school hours are telephoned and collect their little one as soon as possible.

Children are NOT allowed to come to school with an illness, whether it be a green nose, cough (unless it is related to allergies), diarrhoea, vomiting, temperature, lice, ring worm, foot and mouth, tonsillitis or any other contagious or debilitating condition for the child.

Children who have been put on antibiotics will NOT be allowed back to school until the antibiotic course has been administered for at least 36 hours. The assurance of the parent in this regard will be relied upon. Peek-a-Boo does NOT administer medication to any of the children. If your child needs medication to be administered during school hours, your child should NOT be at playgroup.

If your child has vomited or has caused you any concern before school, do NOT bring the child to school unless you have observed your child for at least 6 hours.

Please remember that Peek-a-Boo is NOT a crèche, it is a playgroup. The difference between the two being that crèche children are stuck at the crèche for the day as there is nobody to collect them during the parents' working hours and these children are isolated in a sick room. A playgroup is an option for parents to send their children to. These playgroup parents should have a solid back up system when it comes to the child being sick or needing to be collected.

Parents please be responsible towards Peek-a-Boo's Illness Policy, your children's health, the other children at Peek-a-Boo and to the parents who wisely keep their

children away from school until they are 110% recovered. It is not fair to send your ill child to school and for these 110% recovered children to once again contract a child's illness.

**THIS ILLNESS POLICY FORMS PART OF OUR RULES AND REGULATIONS**