The Meadows
Cheeky Chimps Childcare

Temperature policy:

Parents will be notified and asked to come and collect their child if their temperature reaches 38'C or above. If the child's temperature exceeds 38.5'C we will advice parents to seek medical advice.

The child may be given Calpol from the setting if their temperature is above 38'C and if parents have been contacted to give consent and they have given permission via the famly app. We will only administer this Calpol if needed and if the parents are on their way to collect their child.

If the child's temperature is too high (above 40'C) The Meadows management team may contact medical experts and give Calpol if we have not managed to get hold of parents/carer's or emergency contacts.

We will always use a common-sense approach to high temperatures that focuses on the wellbeing of the child.

We will attempt to lower temperatures by the following methods:

- Remove some layers of clothing such as socks and jumpers.
- Encourage the child to drink fluids.
- Apply Lukewarm compress/flannel to back of neck, forehead, or feet.

Once a child is showing with a temperature, the staff member will seek a member of management for advice.

To check a child's temperature using either of the following thermometers:

Infrared thermometer:

First press the button to get the thermometer at room temperature. Hold around 1cm to the child's forehead and press the button. **Please ensure the lens at the end is wiped before use.**

Also check the child's temperature at both temporal areas.

Digital underarm thermometer:

Clean the end of the thermometer before use and press the button to get this at room temperature.

Place under the child's arm pit area and encourage the child to keep their arm down. Hold the thermometer here until the thermometer has finished registering the temperature.

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