Infectious Diseases Policy
2012
The Diocesan Policy titled *Infectious Diseases* developed by the Catholic Schools Office in 1992 has directly informed procedures for St Patrick's Primary School Swansea and is used as the basis of this documentation.

- Whilst it is not uncommon for children to attend schools with minor ailments or injuries, there are a number of identified infectious diseases that require specific considerations including the exclusion of students from school.
- A copy of the document “Some infectious diseases of children” provided by the NSW Department of Health has been included as an appendix. This document is publicised annually in the school newsletter.
- St Patrick’s Swansea requires the parent/guardian to inform the principal as soon as practicable if the child is infected with any disease or has been in contact with an infected person.
- Patients or contacts shall be prevented from attending school unless they comply with the conditions prescribed by the NSW Department of Health.
- During outbreaks of diseases the principal will direct parents/guardians of students who are not immunised to keep their children at home for the recommended period.

**Appendix**