

IMPETIGO School sores

Prevention: Wash skin daily with soap and water. Keep fingernails short and clean. Cover sores with plasters. Use your own towel. Eat fruit and vegetables every day. Drink water.



Early signs

Blisters on exposed parts of body, such as hands, legs and face

Blisters burst and turn to a sore with a yellow crust which gets bigger each day

The sores are itchy



What to do

Go to the doctor for advice and a prescription

Check and wash sores every day

Cover sores with a clean cloth or plaster

Keep your child's nails short and clean.

Try to stop them scratching the sores

Wash and dry hands before and after touching the sores

If it gets worse

See a doctor if:

- sores are near the eye
- sores last more than 1-2 weeks
- sores become red, swollen and have pus
- your child has a fever

If left untreated this can lead to serious illness.

How is it spread?

Pus, blood or other fluid from the sores touching other skin