

What you need to do to  
get rid of  
SCHOOL SORES

- sunny day/ Clothes dryer
- washing machine and hot water
- washing line or fence
- shower, soap and nail brush
- Nail clippers
- Dressing packs

There must be clean sheets and blankets and clean clothes for everyone so the school sores cannot spread again. Strip beds and wash everything in hot water and soap and hang in sun. Air the mattresses, pillows and floor mats in the sun and give the house a good clean. Use separate towels and separate soap.



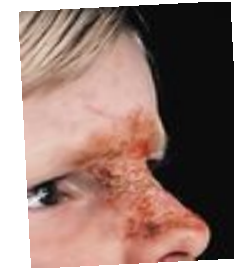
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# School Sores Impetigo

How to get rid of School Sores?

What is School Sores?



How to control School Sores?

How to treat School Sores??



## What is School Sores?

This is a superficial skin infection caused by Staphylococcus or Streptococcus bacteria or something both, most common in children.

Impetigo appears as a flat, yellow, crusty or moist patch on the skin, usually on exposed parts of the body such as the face and legs.

The bacteria can easily spread to the other parts of the body or to other people directly by contact with sores or indirectly by contact with contaminated clothes.



## Treatment

Take your child to the doctor. Although the condition is not serious, it needs to be dealt with as it spreads easily and is contagious.

Antibiotics will be prescribed in the form of cream/ointment or an oral antibiotic dose. Ensure your child finishes the dose of oral antibiotics and do not use the antibiotic cream/ointment on anyone else.

Some areas may need a dressing.



## Control of spread

Person with schools sores should not be attending child care, preschool, school and work until appropriate treatment had commenced. All sores should be covered with dressings at all times.

Good hand washing procedures should be encouraged. Wash your hand for at least 10—15 seconds visibly

