

## **Skin Infections & Sore Throats**

Skin Infections, such as scabies and Impetigo (school sores) are common problems in school children. Public Health Nurses are able to assess children and treat uncomplicated skin infections and sore throats in school age children.

Strep A throat infections can cause Rheumatic Fever. A simple throat swab is all that is required and if positive then Antibiotic's can be given. This preventable illness is prevalent in Northland and this initiative has been established to help prevent more cases.

This is a free service and free medication will be supplied. Parental consent will be obtained before we can swab or treat your child and your child's GP will be informed of any treatment provided.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact your Public Health Nurse -- Dee Millen on 0800 223 358 (option 4) or 021 735 313