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Dear Parents

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION - MEDICAL GUIDANCE

It is that time of year again where we are experiencing an increase in cases of vomiting, diarrhoea and viral infections. This letter is to re-iterate the following guidance and the importance of good hand-washing practise.

In the case of **vomiting only** your child should not attend school until **24 hours after the last bout of vomiting.**

If your child has **vomiting and diarrhoea, they must not return to school until 48 hours from the last episode** of diarrhoea/vomiting. Your child should also be excluded from swimming for **2 weeks** following the last episode of diarrhoea. This is the advice given by the Health Protection Unit.

Impetigo, please keep your child away from school until lesions are crusted and healed, or for 48 hours after commencing antibiotic treatment.

Slapped Cheek Syndrome is again a viral infection that can be mild to severe and is at its most contagious before symptoms are noticed.

Please see your GP for advice for each individual case.

Please make sure that your child has recovered fully before sending them back to school.

Although all of the staff stresses the importance of good hand washing and hygiene practise in school, we would appreciate your continued support in this matter by reinforcing this message at home, which will hopefully help to reduce the number of cases reported.

Yours sincerely

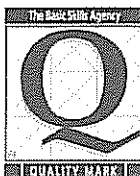
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PLEASE INFORM THE SCHOOL OF YOUR CHILD'S ABSENCE

CALL 01206 382736 – Choose option 1

Record your child's name, class and reason for absence, thank you.



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