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Dear Parent/Carer

Recent Illnesses in School

During last Term, we unfortunately saw a record number of children absent from School due to illness however, with a day or two of rest and with the help of medicines such as paracetamol, most children were able to return to school fairly soon afterwards to continue their learning.

I'd like to thank those of you who only kept your child off school for the necessary time and not extended their absence any longer than what was needed. Being back with their friends and back to their usual routine often helps children get back to normal.

However, if your child is unwell with sickness and diarrhoea, we ask that you keep your child home until 48 hours have passed since the last bout of sickness or diarrhoea. Children are best being at home to recover after this illness, it also helps to avoid spreading the illness through the School Community.

If your child is prescribed medicine such as antibiotics, it doesn't mean they have to stay absent from School until the medicine is finished. Once your child starts to feel better, send them into School and, as long as you complete the necessary form at the Office, we will be able to administer the medicine for you at the time your child needs it.

As well as thanking you for your support in making sure your child attends School when fit and well, I would like to remind you that minor ailments such as a headache or a slight cold are not considered acceptable reasons for not attending School. We do realise that any child can suddenly fall ill and be unable to attend School but we would recommend that if you are not sure if they are well enough to attend, bring them in to see how they get on; we will certainly call you should they need to go home.

Absence from School has a serious impact on children's attainment and progress as they miss vital chunks of essential teaching and learning in a carefully planned Curriculum. Having seen lots of children missing from school during last Term, we really hope that the recent illnesses soon disappear so that children's learning isn't affected any further.

*We are a Caring Christian Community built on
Compassion, Trust, Friendship and Hope*

I look forward to seeing your children in School daily however, should you have any concerns or difficulties in getting them to school do not hesitate to come and speak with me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Glyn Rushton". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

Glyn Rushton
Head Teacher