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Dear Parents/carers,

Mrs A. D. Thorpe Headteacher

SICKNESS & DIARRHOA, MEASLES, CHICKEN POX AND SHINGLES

We are asking for your cooperation in a vitally important matter. One of our pupils in Year One, is receiving medical treatment for brain tumour. This puts the pupil at serious risk if exposed to sickness & diarrhoea, measles, chicken pox or shingles.

If your child has symptoms of sickness & diarrhoea, then they are asked to stay off school for 48hours and the register will be marked accordingly.

The best way to protect our pupil from measles is for all pupils to be immunised against measles. Please discuss measles immunisation with your GP if your child has not already been vaccinated. If you suspect your child has measles you should let the school know immediately and the parent of the child will be informed that there is measles in their class, but no names will be given.

Our pupil is also at risk from chicken pox and would need to be given an injection within 3 days of contact. Please let us know immediately if you suspect that your child has chicken pox or shingles, again the facts would be shared with the parent but no names given.

Your child is not at any risk whatsoever from this situation. However, the health and wellbeing of our pupil may be at serious risk. We depend on the cooperation of all parents and hope we can rely on your help.

I ask that you are kind and gentle when you see a child with thinning hair who looks poorly, the child's family are working through a challenging time.

I know both the family of the child concerned and school really appreciate your support and help in this matter.

Yours sincerely,

AD Thorpe

Mrs A. D. Thorpe Head teacher