



21st November 2018

Dear Parents/Carers of Nursery Children

I am aware that some of your children have been suffering a sickness bug over the last few weeks, I do hope that they are feeling better.

You will know that Mrs Woods and her team make every effort to keep the Nursery as clean and germ-free as is reasonably possible and that the following measures have always been in place:-

- Toilets thoroughly cleaned after each Nursery session (lunchtime and afternoon)
- Whole Nursery cleaned at the end of each day, including disinfecting all door handles
- Handri dryers (not towels) used in toilets
- Antibacterial soap for handwashing
- Termly hot wash of soft toys and dressing up clothes
- Termly sterilising of all equipment
- No sharing of cups
- Constant reminders to children about putting toys/fingers in mouths
- Children are trained to wash hands before fruit / milk breaks – handwashing songs!

I have today carried out a site visit to Nursery with the Premises Team and would like to reassure you that we are taking this outbreak extremely seriously. To help combat this recent bout of illness and in addition to current procedures we have:-

- Arranged a 'deep clean' of Nursery, to include carpet and curtain cleaning
- Temporarily allocated extra cleaning staff to Nursery, as an additional precaution
- An immediate further hot wash of all soft toys / dressing up clothes
- Extra hand gel available for children and staff

Whilst tummy bugs are an unfortunate part of school life, I completely appreciate how upsetting it can be when your child is unwell. I would like to thank you all for adhering to the school's 48 hour policy (no return to school until there has been a clear 48 hours), the Office also keep a very close eye on absences and are able to advise if a child has returned to school too soon. If this is the case, your child will be brought to the office to return home.

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Thank you for understanding and your cooperation in helping us to keep the germs at bay, hopefully the drop in temperature this week will speed up the process and we can look forward to all the children returning to Nursery very soon.

Kind regards.

Louise Wood

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Headteacher