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Head Teacher: Carmel Fox

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Dear Parent/Carer,

Re: Diarrhoea & Vomiting/ Infectious Gastroenteritis in Schools

Dear Parent/Carers

Please be aware that there is a sickness and diarrhoea bug making its way around the school and the local community in recent weeks. The Health Protection team are monitoring the situation and are in touch with me regularly. They remain concerned at the number of staff and children it is still affecting. They have asked us to write to you again to urge you to follow the advice in the attached leaflet.

If your child has had any sickness or diarrhoea, please ensure that children are clear of symptoms for a full **48 hours** before returning to school. This is in line with our school policy and Health Protection Team guidance in the sheet attached which states:

If you or your children have gastroenteritis, do not return to work, or let your children go to school/ nursery, until 48 hours has passed since the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting. With some forms of gastroenteritis, e.g., cryptosporidiosis, it is important not to go swimming until at least 2 weeks after symptoms have stopped.

We ask for your support with this. Staff and students are taking longer to recover.

We will continue to monitor the situation and work with you to combat this bug.

Thank you in anticipation.

Yours sincerely,

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Head Teacher

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