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Wednesday 7th December 2022

Dear Parent/Carer,

RE: Illness and infection

As you may be aware we are currently seeing high levels of absence amongst staff and students across the academy.

Cases of Covid 19 are on the rise in the community and a small number of staff and students are currently isolating. There are also lots of other colds, coughs and sickness bugs making people feel very unwell.

I'd like to take this opportunity to thank all of our families and staff at this tricky time, everyone has had to be flexible and understanding with the changes taking place due to staff illness and we have really appreciated everyone's support with this.

I appreciate many parents are concerned about the recent news about Strep A – please see the link below to a blog about what you need to know and what to look out for

<https://ukhsa.blog.gov.uk/2022/12/05/group-a-strep-what-you-need-to-know/>

It is absolutely vital at this time that families continue to report absence promptly and on a daily basis. If your child is too unwell to attend the academy please phone the academy on 01733 821403 as early as possible to let us know.

Attendance to school is really important and we want students to be attending as much as possible. However, we also know that there are times when children are too ill to attend and also risk spreading illnesses to each other and to staff and would ask that if you feel your child is too poorly that you keep them at home until they are feeling better.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Martin
Executive Principal