



Dear Parents and Carers

13 January 2025

Re: Measles, Chicken Pox and Shingles

Please may we ask for your cooperation in a vitally important matter.

Two of our Infant pupils are receiving medical treatment for cancer and are therefore immunosuppressed. **This puts them at serious risk if exposed to measles, chicken pox or shingles.**

The best way to protect a pupil from measles is for all pupils to be immunized against measles. Please discuss measles immunization with your GP if your child is not already vaccinated. **If you suspect your child has measles you should let the school know immediately.**

Our pupils are also at risk from chicken pox and would need to be given an injection within three days of contact. **Please let us know as early as possible on the first day of absence if you suspect that your child has chicken pox.** It is also very important that you let us know if anyone in your household has chicken pox or shingles.

We also ask that you adhere to our diarrhoea and vomiting policy and do not allow your child to come back to school until they are 48 hours clear.

Your own child is not at any risk whatsoever from this situation. However, the health and wellbeing of our pupils with cancer may be at serious risk. We depend on the co-operation of all parents and know we can rely on your help.

If you have any questions please speak to your child's class teacher or contact the school office.

Kind regards

Mrs L Bailey
Headteacher