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Dear Parents and Carers

I am writing to you regarding a decision to strengthen our procedures for dealing with cases of **vomiting and diarrhoea**. Although I wrote to you earlier this year to urge you to **keep your child at home for 48 hours** if they have sickness or diarrhoea, it seems that some students are returning sooner and are therefore still infectious.

There are two reasons why we are strengthening our procedures:

- We want to ensure the health and safety of all members of the school community and, in line with Public Health guidelines, we want to prevent the spread of infectious diseases.
- We have an increasing number of students are at greater risk if they contract a virus because of underlying medical conditions.

In order to enforce these procedures, we will:

- Send home students with vomiting and diarrhoea symptoms, along with an Edulink message and a card, reminding parents that they must be kept at home for 48 hours.
- Send home students who return before the 48 hour period has elapsed.

Thank you for your support in ensuring the health and safety of our community.

Best wishes

Ms Marriott

Headteacher

