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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been informed a child in Year 3 has been diagnosed with chicken pox. In light of this, we would like to pass on some advice from the Health Protection Team.

Although chicken pox is usually a mild childhood illness, there can be a risk of complications in people who have a weakened immune system, including young babies and pregnant women.

If your child has an underlying condition which affects their immune system, you should contact your GP to discuss whether any additional measures are needed.

It is advised that children who have chicken pox should be kept off school for at least five days from onset of rash. It is not necessary for all the spots to have healed or crusted over before returning to school as the risk of transmission to other children after five days is minimal.

We have attached an extract from the 'Spotty Book' produced by the NHS to provide further advice and guidance. You can find this via the NHS website at this address:

<https://www.england.nhs.uk/south/wp-content/uploads/sites/6/2017/09/spotty-book-2018.pdf>

If you have any further questions, please do contact us.

Yours sincerely

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