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Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you that we have had a number of cases of diarrhoea and vomiting reported in school on Friday and again today. These illnesses are often caused by a viral “tummy bug” and can spread easily in school environments.

We kindly ask all families to follow NHS guidance to help prevent the spread of infection. You can find full guidance here:

<https://www.healthiertgether.nhs.uk/child-under-12-years/diarrhoea-vomiting>

- Children **must stay at home until at least 48 hours after the last episode of diarrhoea or vomiting** before returning to school.
- Encourage your child to **drink plenty of fluids** to prevent dehydration.
- **Handwashing with soap and water** is one of the most effective ways to stop the spread of infection—this should be done after using the toilet and before eating.
- Towels should **not be shared**, and good hygiene practices should be followed at home.
- Most tummy bugs are caused by viruses and usually improve within a few days, but you should seek medical advice if your child is unable to keep fluids down, shows signs of dehydration, or you are concerned about their condition.

These steps are important because tummy bugs spread very easily in schools and childcare settings. **Children should not return to school until they have been free of symptoms for 48 hours to help protect others.** ([Healthier Together](https://www.healthiertgether.nhs.uk/child-under-12-years/diarrhoea-vomiting))

We are taking additional precautions to reduce the risk of infection spreading, including:

- Increasing handwashing routines throughout the day
- Reinforcing good hygiene practices with pupils
- Increasing cleaning of frequently touched surfaces and shared areas
- Monitoring pupils closely and contacting parents if children become unwell

We appreciate your support in helping us keep our school community safe. If your child becomes unwell, please keep them at home and inform the school office.

Thank you for your continued cooperation.

Yours sincerely,

Mrs Theisinger