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Dear Parent/Carer,

## **Infection Control and Attendance**

With the winter months approaching fast and the weather getting colder, there will be the inevitable onset of bugs and illnesses to contend with. In light of this we wanted to remind you all of the importance of good school attendance and the impact this has on your child's learning. There is a proven link between good school attendance and achievement.

If your child is ill and they need to stay at home, please only keep them off for as long as absolutely necessary. If you are unsure of whether to keep them off, how long they should be off for or when to send them back, the NHS provides a guideline which you will be able to view by following the link below:

https://www.nhs.uk/live-well/healthy-body/is-my-child-too-ill-for-school/

You can also download the Havering Guidance on Infection Control as a pdf document for your records:

https://www3.havering.gov.uk/Documents/Childcare/ChildcareServices2.pdf

Please send your child to school as much as you possibly can and be assured that if they are unwell we will look after them here and send them home if necessary.

Whilst we do our best to ensure the guidance is adhered to, if we are not given the correct information from parents there is little else we can do. Please make sure you inform the school of any illness your child has or any symptoms you have seen and follow the supplied guidance as to whether they should attend school.

If you have any questions about attendance, please contact the school office. Thank you very much for your continued support on this matter.

Yours sincerely,

Raheel Akhtar Headteacher



