

ST ANNE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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Dear Parents.

I welcome everyone back to the new term and hope that all our families have had a restful holiday.

At the request of the local authority, I am sending you this letter.

You will be aware of the increase in the number of cases of Scarlet Fever and Strep A infections that have been reported in our local area and wanted to assure you that we are following all the advice to help identify any cases and to reduce the spread.

Like you, all staff have been made aware of the symptoms to look out for and are being vigilant in school so that anyone who shows symptoms can be looked after away from other children while they wait to be collected.

Cheshire East are monitoring cases across the borough and have responded quickly by setting up a webinar and by providing regular updates and guidance documents. We are working with our local Public Health Consultants and following their advice to ensure that there are good hygiene and cleaning systems in place. We are reviewing all our planned activities to see if these can go ahead safely and are taking advice where necessary.

We would ask you to read carefully the letter from UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), (the organisation that has replaced Public Health England) which described the symptoms and the actions which parents should take.

If your child is unwell, please keep them at home to recover and if they have symptoms which are listed in the UKHSA letter then you should follow the advice given. This letter describes when to contact the GP or 111 or when an urgent 999 or A&E visit is advised.

We know that being in education offers many social benefits as well as providing an education and so all children who are well are encouraged to attend.

Parents are advised to speak to school if they have particular concerns or circumstances where they feel someone is at particular risk so that any additional measures can be agreed or put in place if necessary.

If in doubt keep your child at home and ring us – then we can decide the best next steps together.

Kind regards, Mrs N. Ferguson

Headteacher