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Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2017

Dear Parents/Carers,

It has come to our attention that 'foot and mouth' disease has been diagnosed in some of our children. This is a contagious illness most common in children under 10 and can be caught by close contact, contact with contaminated objects or by not washing your hands properly after going to the toilet.

A child may have some or all of the following symptoms: fever, mouth blisters and/or a rash on the hands and feet. The infection usually clears up in 7-10 days. This is a viral infection and will not be treated with anti-biotics.

If you think that your child has foot and mouth disease please telephone school to let us know. Children need to be absent from school until they are no longer infectious.

More information can be found at [www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/hand-foot-mouth-disease)

Thank you for your support in this matter,

Yours sincerely,

Mrs S Taylor  
Interim Headteacher



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