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**We are all part of God's family. Through trying our best in all that we do, we find a sense of belonging.
1 Corinthians 12:27 'All of you together are Christ's body and each of you is a part of it'.**

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Dear Parent/Carer,

I am sure many of you will have seen the news that there have been serious cases of strep throat in some primary schools across the country. Whilst we have NOT had any confirmed cases of Strep throat in our trust schools, we have seen an increase in illnesses that present with similar symptoms. As a result we are sending this awareness letter and are asking you to remain vigilant to the following symptoms.

Strep throat is a bacterial infection of the throat and is common in school aged children and teens. If not treated with proper medicine the infection has serious complications. Symptoms of strep throat are severe sore throat, fever, headache, swollen tonsils and glands in the neck, and a stomach ache. It is spread when a person coughs or sneezes droplets into the air and another person inhales them. It can be prevented by washing your hands, using tissues to catch coughs and sneezes, or coughing in your elbow if no tissues are available. You should contact your doctor if you think your child has strep throat.

In school we will be increasing ventilation and reminding children and staff to increase hand washing and increase the use of hand sanitizer.

Thank you for your ongoing support and understanding.

Kind regards

**Mrs D Bradley
Head of School**



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