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Dear parents,

As per CHP's Press Releases on the 8th January 2025, CHP urges the public to be vigilant in preventing acute gastroenteritis AGE (See [Link](#)). "There has been a significant increase in AGE activity in Hong Kong recently. Investigation showed that the cause was norovirus."

Even though our school does not have an outbreak at the moment, we noticed that there is an increasing number of sick students with gastrointestinal symptoms in school. We would like to ask parents to check your child's body temperature and any symptoms before coming to school.

If your child display any of the following symptoms **the night before or that morning before coming to school, please keep them home from school** and remain out until the symptoms have stopped for 48 hours (without the use of medicine):

- Temperature of 37.8 °C or higher
- **Abdominal pain**
- **Diarrhoea, or**
- **Vomiting**

It may indicate your child may be carrying something contagious. Allowing the children home enables children who are unwell to fully rest and recover and also prevents the spread of illness throughout the school.

It is important to maintain good personal hygiene. Alcohol-based handrub **should not** substitute hand hygiene with liquid soap and water, as alcohol does not effectively kill some viruses frequently causing AGE, e.g. norovirus.





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It would also be appreciated if you can provide the detailed symptoms list and keep us updated with any other symptoms development when reporting the sick leave via email to the office or use our ESF App. For any diagnosed communicable diseases, e.g. Hand foot mouth disease, Scarlet fever, etc., please inform us as soon as possible to prevent spread of the disease.

Thank you for helping us to build a healthier and safer environment in our school!

Best regards,

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