

Dear Families,

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We have recently seen a number of cases of Chicken Pox within the school community. Please see below for information regarding symptoms and what to do if you are concerned that your child might have Chicken Pox.

Chicken Pox is an itchy, spotty rash is the main symptom of chickenpox. It can be anywhere on the body. Chickenpox happens in 3 stages. But new spots can appear while others are becoming blisters or forming a scab.

Stage 1: small spots appear

Stage 2: the spots become blisters

Stage 3: the blisters become scabs

Before or after the rash appears, you might also get:

- a high temperature
- aches and pains, and generally feeling unwell
- loss of appetite

Chickenpox is very itchy and can make children feel miserable, even if they do not have many spots.

The chickenpox spots look the same on children and adults. But adults usually have a high temperature for longer and more spots than children.

It's possible to get chickenpox more than once, but it's unusual.

You'll need to stay away from school, nursery or work until all the spots have formed a scab. This is usually 5 days after the spots appeared.

Further information can be found here - <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/chickenpox/>

Kind Regards



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