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"A Place to Care, A Place to Grow, A Place to Shine"

"Train up a child in the way they should go and when they are old they will not depart from it" **Proverbs 22 v 6**

Friday 29th November 2019

Dear Parent and carers

I just wanted to reassure you that we do not have the norovirus in school. It has been brought to my attention that a number of people in our community believe this to be the case.

As a school we were in touch with Public health as there were quite a number of children off on one day in the Reception class with a sickness bug. The advice given was to deep clean that class, which we arranged for the same day, including rugs and toys and toilets/washrooms throughout school. This quick action allowed us to contain the situation and therefore the following week numbers were back up to full capacity. There have been a very small number of children in other classes presenting with sickness however this is nowhere near the numbers required to shut school in line with public health England guidance.

Whole-school attendance on the worst affected days was as follows:

- 89.0% on Thursday 21st November 2019
- 85.8% on Friday 22nd November 2019 (worst day)
- 88.9% on Monday 25th November 2019

It should also be noted that these figures take into account all absences, including medical appointments, holidays and children being late for school in the morning.

Please be reassured that we follow guidance very carefully and all measures to eliminate sickness in school have been taken. In the small number of cases where children are unwell please continue to work with us by keeping your child at home for 48 hours after the last bout of sickness.

Thank you for your continued support.

Natalie Tomlinson

Head teacher

Wharton Church of England Primary School is an inclusive caring Christian community, committed to building futures for all children. We offer a safe environment where everyone is valued, we nurture strong relationships that are underpinned by our Christian values and we champion children to be the best that they can be, empowering all to aim high and achieve their full potential.

