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Dear Parents,

Vigilance against Hand, Foot and Mouth Disease (HFMD)

The school has been informed by parents that 2 students from DS5E were diagnosed Hand, Foot and Mouth disease cases last week. All the classrooms have been sterilized thoroughly and cleaning of the school campus has been reinforced. Students and staff of the school have been alerted to be vigilant about personal hygiene. The school has also requested the drivers and nannies not to drive or be on board the school buses if they have fever or symptoms of other diseases. They should inform the school about their conditions.

The Centre for Health Protection (CHP) of Department of Health has recorded an increase in HFMD recently and would like to solicit your support in the prevention and control of HFMD outbreak. The main symptoms of HFMD are fever, sore throat and skin rash over the hands and feet. Although the illness is self-limiting in most cases, some cases may be caused by Enterovirus 71 (EV71) virus and may be associated with complications like myocarditis, encephalitis or poliomyelitis-like paralysis. No specific treatment is available for HFMD. Good hygiene practices are the most important measures to prevent HFMD and EV71 infection.

To prevent outbreak of the disease and to protect students' health, the school would like to solicit your support and co-operation. Please remind your children to maintain personal and environmental hygiene, and also be aware of the following points:

1. Remind children of personal hygiene practices, especially on how to wash their hands properly with liquid soap before meals and after going to toilet, cover their noses and mouth while sneezing or coughing, and properly dispose of nasal and mouth discharge.
2. Prepare a handkerchief or tissue paper for your children and remind them not to share with others.
3. Avoid taking your children to crowded places with poor ventilation.
4. Bring your children to see the doctors promptly if they have fever or develop symptoms suggestive of other diseases. Keep them at home for rest until they fully recover and also update the school about your children's condition.
5. Take your children home if they have found been sick at school and seek consultation from doctors promptly.
6. Measure your children's body temperature before they leave home for school every day. Record and sign the body temperature record form and return it to the homeroom teacher for checking.

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Lui
Acting Principal