



Dear Parents

We have been notified that a student in your child's class has recently been diagnosed with Chickenpox (varicella). This is a common, acute, viral infection and symptoms include fever, fatigue, and a generalized rash characterised by small blisters that rupture to form crusts.

Chickenpox can be transmitted by direct and indirect contact with fluid from the blisters of an infected child. The child is infectious from 2 days before the rash appears to 5 days after, when the blisters have formed crusts. A child with chickenpox needs to be excluded from school for at least 5 days after the blisters (rash) appears and the blisters have formed crusts.

A chickenpox fact sheet is available from the school office or from the Health Department website – www.health.wa.gov.au.

Thank you for your co-operation in this matter.

Jayne Ebsworthy

Principal

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