Victoria Park
Infant School

Every day, each and every one of us try our best to be... **STARS**

Dear Parents and Carers,

We are writing to inform you that there have been a couple of confirmed cases of chickenpox within our Early Years. Chickenpox is a common and usually mild childhood illness; however, it is highly contagious and can spread quickly among young children.

- **What to look out for:**
  Symptoms of chickenpox include:
- A red, itchy rash that develops into fluid-filled blisters
- Fever
- Tiredness and general discomfort

What you should do:
If your child develops symptoms of chickenpox, please keep them at home and inform the school. Children should remain off school until all the spots have formed a crust (this is usually around 5 days after the rash first appears).

We also kindly ask you to inform us if your child is diagnosed, so we can continue to monitor the situation and support the health and wellbeing of all pupils.

Additional advice:
While chickenpox is typically mild, it can be more serious for certain individuals, including pregnant women, newborn babies, and those with weakened immune systems. If this applies to your household, you may wish to seek medical advice.

We are taking appropriate steps within the school to maintain hygiene and minimise the spread of infection.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact the school office. Thank you for your cooperation and support.

Yours sincerely,

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