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Dear Parents,

To date School House Nursery has had two suspected case of swine flu. We wanted to reassure you of the measures we have taken at the nursery to help combat the virus:

We are taking regular advice from:

The Health Protection Agency
The Butchery Surgery: Dr Weatherly and Dr Carabine.
Department for Children, Families and Education
NHS Direct
Kent County Council Early Years Advisory Service

We have:

Increased hand washing for children and staff
Introduced hand washing alcohol gel and are in the process of introducing it for parents, visitors and staff
The toilets area are kept stringently clean through out the day by staff rota
Children know to wash their hands and bin any tissues used
We ask children to cover their mouth when they cough or sneeze
We have advised parents NOT to bring in children who are exhibiting flu like symptoms or feel unwell

The Health Protection Agency has advised that school closures are not recommended at this time because the virus is widespread within communities and we are likely to be repeatedly exposed to the virus in our everyday lives. The nursery committee will be discussing Swine Flu with a view to introducing a policy in the September meeting. **We have NOT been advised at this time to keep children who are NOT exhibiting symptoms away from the nursery even if the virus has been in the family.**

We hope you have a happy and healthy summer.

Yours Sincerely,

Michelle Giles and Debbie Weatherall
Chair Nursery Manager

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