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Dear Parents,

As we head into the cold and flu season, we want to be especially vigilant that our students are familiar with health and hygiene behaviors that will help to keep them feeling well. We recently received a shipment of hand sanitizers and disinfectant wipes that have been placed near all of the public telephones in the building. We have also placed sanitizer pumps in our cafeteria. The children have been instructed on the proper use of these pumps and are encouraged to use them. Teachers have also spoken to their classes about proper hand washing.

I realize that these precautions alone will not stop the spread of the flu, but as a community we can work together to help prevent the spread of germs. With that in mind, please keep your child home from school if they should experience symptoms such as a fever, sore throat, persistent cough, body aches, headaches, chills, or fatigue. Since students are no longer rewarded for perfect attendance, it is important to keep your children home if they are ill.

Finally, please be advised that children may not return to school until:

- They have been fever free for 24 hours **without the use of medication**
- They have not vomited in the past 24 hours
- They have been diarrhea free for 24 hours
- They must be on an antibiotic for 24 hours
- They are not experiencing chills or a sore throat

Thank you for your attention to this matter. Together, we can help keep Woodward Parkway healthy.

Most sincerely,

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