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## **Walter Infant School**

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Dear Parents and Carers,

We have been made aware that another of our pupils has contracted Scarlet Fever, making two so far. This illness can have serious complications so we would like to ask you all to be aware of the symptoms:

- Red blotches are the first sign of the rash which usually starts on the chest and stomach but soon spreads to other parts of the body such as ears, neck, elbows, inner thighs and groin
- Cheeks may become flushed
- The rash feels like sandpaper and looks like sunburn

## Other possible symptoms:

- Swollen neck glands
- Loss of appetite
- Nausea or vomiting
- Red lines in the folds of the body
- White coating on tongue
- Generally feeling unwell

See your GP as soon as possible; they will be able to confirm a diagnosis and recommend appropriate treatment.

If your child has a high temperature for more than three days – you must seek medical advice from your GP.

## Kind regards

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