



General Byng School

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Good Morning,

We are writing to advise you that we have seen an increase in illness in the school. As per our [Communicable Disease- Students Policy](#), we contact the Public Health Nurse when absenteeism due to illness is over 10%. We have been in communication with Public Health for some information and recommendations. In the community, there is an increase in Influenza, RSV (Respiratory Viruses), and Covid-19, among other illnesses. Here are some measures that will help to reduce the spread of illness:

- Staying home when ill
- Increased handwashing
- Practicing respiratory etiquette (i.e. covering coughs and sneezes)
- Wearing a mask to help to reduce the spread of infection

At school, we will remind students to wash their hands and should any students begin to feel ill, we will call home immediately to have one of your approved contacts pick up your child.

We will continue to monitor the situation and we will share any further information or recommendations as they are provided to us.

Thank you for your continued support. Please contact us if you have any questions.

Stay well,

Tracey Groening
Principal

Darren Gerbrandt
Vice-Principal