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Dear parent/carer,

SUBJECT: Attendance Update: Helping your child stay on track

We have noticed a slight dip in attendance across the school this week. We want to ensure every pupil has the **BEST** chance to succeed, and being in the classroom every day is the most important part of that.

We know that deciding whether to keep your child at home can be tricky. Interestingly, our recent Impact Ed survey feedback showed that many of our pupils feel unsure about the difference between being "too ill" for school and just feeling "a bit under the weather."

To help with these morning decisions, we recommend the following:

- **A bit ill:** If your child has a mild cough, a cold, or a minor headache but is otherwise active, they should come to school. We often find that once they are busy with their friends and learning, they feel much better.
- **Too ill:** Please keep your child at home if they have a high temperature (38°C or above), have vomited, or have diarrhoea.

If you are ever unsure, please feel free to bring them in and let the office staff know. We will always call you if they become genuinely unwell during the day.

Thank you for your continued support in helping us maintain high attendance and ensuring your child doesn't miss out on vital learning.

★ **Be Here, Be Ready, Be Your BEST!!!** ★

Thank you for your continued support.

Kindest regards,

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