

Dear parents/carers

The importance of attendance is incredibly well researched and documented and we have shared with you the actual outcomes of children in relation to their attendance at BBG Academy. The sharing of these facts is simply to give you, as a parent or carer, the full picture.

I appreciate that on occasion children are under the weather, and as a parents we are sometimes faced with a decision of whether they are fit enough for school or not. Clearly if you as a parent feel that your child is not well enough to attend school you will keep them at home and in some cases, you will seek medical advice.

In the Academy we have a number of colleagues who are emergency first aid trained – we do not have any medically trained staff and we do not have a resident school nurse. We respond to the emergency first aid situations and we also reassure children when they feel unwell. As I am sure you appreciate children do on occasion complain of minor ailments such as a tummy ache or a headache and often we reassure them and give them the general advice I would as a parent, such as making sure they drink water and have something to eat at break; in most cases this is sufficient.

If you have sent your child to school, and you are genuinely concerned that they may deteriorate, and you would like to be informed if they present to us as feeling unwell please do let us know and they will be issued with a red card. This is an additional layer that will ensure you are informed if they appear to deteriorate in school. We don't anticipate that this will be a regular need.

The emergency first aid procedures and health care plans will operate as normal.

Please do not hesitate to contact me should you wish further information. Thank you for your continued support

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Saira Luffman'.

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