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Dear Parents,

One of our young scholars has been diagnosed with Hand Foot and Mouth a viral infection that happens frequently in the summer and fall months. Symptoms of Hand Foot and Mouth Disease include tiny blisters in the mouth and on the fingers, palms of hands, buttocks and soles of feet that last a little longer than a week. Please refer to the brochure attached for other signs and symptoms.

As a result of this outbreak, we will be taking extra precaution with children who have cold symptoms or show signs of blisters on the body. If we observe your child with cold symptoms like a sore throat, runny nose or cough we will require that your child be seen by a physician before returning to school. We will also continue to sanitize and wash the children hands often. These are precautionary measures. As you know, small children are subject to the spread of germs that can often lead to viral illnesses. Please review the enclosed information from American Academy of Pediatrics regarding Hand Foot and Mouth Disease, so that you can be familiar with the symptoms and care for your child as needed.

Sincerely,

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