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Dear Parent/Guardian:

A pupil in your child's classroom was found to have Impetigo. There is a possibility that your child may contract this disease. It is advisable that you watch your child for possible early symptoms.

Impetigo is a contagious, bacterial illness characterized by pustular eruptions. When the pustules rupture, they produce an oozing, sticky, honey-colored crust. Impetigo is spread by direct contact with the infected areas. The lesions are most commonly found on the face, arms, and legs. They often occur after intense scratching of insect bites. The areas are contagious until they are dry.

Should your child develop any of the above symptoms, consult your physician. To guard the health of your child and others, keep your child at home. Report the illness to the school.

Your child may return to school when: 1) Treatment has been started and 2) Your physician provides a written clearance which states your child is well and can attend school. Areas should be covered if they are still oozing.

Thank you for your cooperation in this matter.

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