

Absence from school

Whilst there is no need to telephone the school if your child is sick, we would greatly appreciate if you would contact us if your child contracts a contagious illness e.g. measles, mumps, rubella, etc. There are children in the school who are at increased risk of contracting these illnesses. In accordance with the Education Welfare Act, parents **must** acknowledge their child's absence from school, **in writing**, at the back of the child's School Journal. Parents of Infant children should speak to the teacher at the class line on the morning of their return.

The Education Welfare Act obliges schools to notify the Welfare Officer if any child misses 20 days or more in any given school year.

Sick Children at School

Please do not send sick children to school for the following reasons:

- Children are unable to cope with the demands of school when they are unwell.
- Infection spreads rapidly in the confinement of the classroom.