

# ÉCOLE VICTORIA-ALBERT SCHOOL

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**Subject:** Important Health Notice – Hand, Foot & Mouth Disease, Scabies, and Chickenpox

Dear Families,

We wanted to make you aware that we have had some **confirmed cases of Hand, Foot & Mouth disease, scabies, and chickenpox** in our school community. These illnesses are common in school-aged children and can spread easily through close contact.

To help prevent further spread, we ask that families:

- **Keep children home when they are feeling unwell** or showing symptoms of illness.
- **Encourage frequent handwashing** with soap and water, especially before eating and after using the washroom.
- **Remind children not to share** food, drinks, water bottles, or personal items such as hats or clothing.

For more information about these illnesses, please visit:

- **Hand, Foot & Mouth Disease** – Health Science Centre – [https://hsc.mb.ca/wp-content/uploads/Hand-foot-and-mouth-disease\\_CPS.pdf](https://hsc.mb.ca/wp-content/uploads/Hand-foot-and-mouth-disease_CPS.pdf)
- **Scabies** – Canadian Pediatric Society <https://caringforkids.cps.ca/handouts/health-conditions-and-treatments/scabies>
- **Chickenpox** – Government of MB <https://www.gov.mb.ca/health/publichealth/diseases/varicella.html>

We appreciate your help in keeping our students and staff healthy.

If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact the school office.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support.

Regards,

Ashley Morrison  
Principal/Directrice