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Dear Parents and Carers

Mumps

We have been notified of a confirmed case of mumps at Crofton Infant School.

Whilst mumps is not usually serious, as a general precaution it is recommended that pregnant women and anyone with a compromised immune system should avoid close contact with anyone known to have an active mumps infection (or any other type of infection).

Mumps is an infectious viral illness and the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine offers protection against these diseases. Children routinely receive their first dose at one year of age and their second dose from three years four months old but there is no upper age limit to receive the vaccine. If your child has not yet received two doses of the MMR vaccine or you are unsure, please contact your GP or practice nurse as soon as possible.

Further information about mumps and MMR vaccination can be found at [https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/mumps/](https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/mumps/). If you think that your child may have mumps, please contact your GP. Children with suspected mumps should be kept away from school until five days after the onset of swelling.

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