

Monday, November 9, 2009

HEALTH UPDATE: H1N1

Dear Parents,

I write to inform you that a child in Picasso Class (K-1) has tested positive for the Influenza A and it is likely to be the 2009 H1N1 flu virus.

The child's symptoms began on Thursday, November 5 with a sore throat and mild fever. She has been kept out of school since then.

The child tested positive for the virus on Saturday. She will return to school once she gains approval from her physician. For your information, the infected student rides Bus B.

In addition, we have been notified that a sibling of an ECLC student in Eric Carle class is also infected with H1N1. Following our practice, the uninfected ECLC student is also staying at home.

As a reminder, the symptoms of the H1N1 can include:

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| fever* | headache |
| cough | chills |
| sore throat | fatigue |
| runny or stuffy nose | sometimes diarrhea and vomiting |
| body aches | |

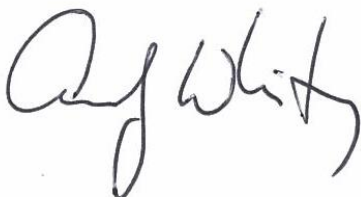
*please note that not everyone with flu will have a fever

If you believe your child is unwell, please keep him/her at home. If you are able to confirm that your child has the H1N1 virus, please inform the school office immediately.

We are continuing to reinforce hand washing, proper sneezing and coughing etiquette, twice daily temperature checks, and keeping updated on the H1N1 situation within Korea. We are closely monitoring the occurrence of illness at ECLC and will keep you updated with any relevant information.

For further information please see the following website: <http://www.cdc.gov/h1n1flu/>

Thank you for your cooperation and understanding,



Andy Whitney
Head of School