















## HIGH HESKET C of E SCHOOL (VC)

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Dear Parents & Carers,

I am writing to advise you that we do have cases of slapped cheek within the school community. Whilst this is a relatively common occurrence amongst children, pregnant women are advised to seek medical advice from their GP or midwife if they have been in contact with a case. More information on symptoms and treatment can be found on the NHS website at https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/slapped-cheek-syndrome/

Due to the current circumstances and the increasing concern regarding the new Delta variant, we are also asking parents to seek medical advice from their GP should a child present with a suspected case of slapped cheek before bringing them to school. This is because some of the symptoms of slapped cheek are similar to those caused by coronavirus variants. We will also need to ask parents to continue to seek a PCR test if their child has a high temperature, cough or loss of taste/smell, even if this is thought to be a result of slapped cheek.

Thank you for your support.

Mrs A Harvey Headteacher