

St Sebastian's Attendance Newsletter

28th November 2017

Up to 24/11/17 our attendance was **97.8%**. At the same time last year it was **97.4%**. This is a great improvement and parents and children should be proud of yourselves! The targets set by Government show we should be achieving 98% minimum and, while we are not quite there yet we are within reach. Well done everyone and let's keep it up!



How to avoid the winter vomiting bug

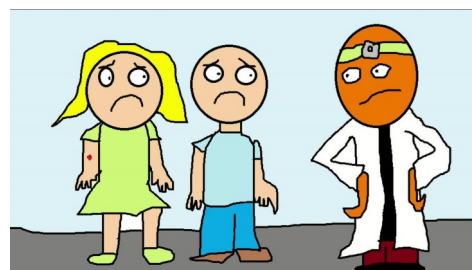
Please make sure you wash your hands thoroughly EVERY TIME you go to the toilet. In school we are paying extra attention to making sure all surfaces in the bathrooms are kept clean, wiping toilet handles, door handles and light switches regularly. In the classrooms we are wiping down tables, keyboards, door handles, light switches etc—everywhere that people touch is being cleaned during the day as well as when the children have left for the day. Please try to do this at home too—none of us wants to be sick for Christmas!



48 hour rule

If a child has a tummy bug—vomiting and/or diarrhoea—they should be kept off school until 48 hours after the last time they were sick or had diarrhoea.

HOWEVER—if your child vomits for another reason, perhaps they have asthma and cough until they are sick, then you must use your judgement for when they return to school. We have to try to keep the vomiting bugs out of school because they spread very quickly and are very unpleasant but if your child does not have a tummy bug they should return when you feel they are well enough. We will administer medication to your child if it is in the original container showing that it has been prescribed for your child by a doctor



Attendance up to 27th November 2017

F2 - 97.6%

Y3—98.5%

Y1—97.9%

Y4—98.1%

Y2—98.2%

Y5—96.5%

Y6—97.8%

Children need to attend school regularly to help them achieve their full potential. Help us to help you and your children—make sure they come to school every day.