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Dear Parents and Guardians,

I am writing to advise you that we have a confirmed case of Fifth Disease at our school in your child's classroom.

Fifth Disease is a mild viral disease caused by human parvovirus B19. It is sometimes called "slapped cheek syndrome". Everyone is at risk of getting Fifth Disease, but it occurs more commonly in children. Individuals suffering from anemia, immunodeficiency, and pregnant women may have a greater risk of complications from the disease.

Please see additional information on Fifth Disease using the following link: [Fifth Disease Information](#). To stop the spread of the infection, our custodial staff has implemented extra cleaning measures to ensure that the areas of concern have been disinfected.

If you require additional information about Fifth Disease, please contact your local public health unit.

Leeds, Lanark and Grenville District Health Unit - [Leeds, Grenville and Lanark District Health Unit](#)

Eastern Ontario Health Unit - [Homepage | EOHU | Public Health](#)

Sincerely,

Principal

School Name