NOTE FROM NURSE BARB

Welcome back! I wanted to take a minute to give some suggestions to help keep Mt. Gallant healthy this year. Please, if you child is ill, is running a fever, has vomited or is having multiple episodes of diarrhea please keep them home. School is a great place to spread germs and it does not take long for this to take over a classroom. Please see the link below if you have questions if you child should stay home or if it is ok for them to come to school.

http://www.scdhec.gov/Health/ChildTeenHealth/SchoolExclusion/

With flu season just around the corner, please consider vaccinating your family. Flu shot clinics will be popping up around Rock Hill. Please consider doing this for the health of your family.

MEDICATION

Please note if it is necessary for your child to take medication while at school, if the medication is a prescription, there are forms that need to be filled out by the parent and the doctor, **before** the medication can be given. This paper work serves as my order, making it legal for me to give the medication.

If the medication is an over the counter medication (Tylenol, ibuprofen), it is not necessary to have the form filled out by your physician, the parent's signature will allow the medication to be given. Medication must be provided to the school for your student. The link for both of those forms is below or I can send one home with your student.

Medications are **NOT** to be sent in a child's book bag and carried on the bus. There cannot be monitoring of medications on the bus and it is for the safety of all children that this not be done.

http://www.rock-hill.k12.sc.us/Page/1825

Please let me know if there is something I can help you with. I am in the office from 7-3:30 daily. If I don't answer the phone, please leave a message, I will call you back. I can also be reached by email at BWenham@rhmail.org. My office number is 803-980-2035. I look forward to a happy, healthy school year.

Nurse Barb