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Dear Parent /Guardian of _____

Today your child had a tick removed from :

The skin has been cleansed with soap and water and/or swabbed with alcohol.

It is not uncommon to find a tick on a child. While most ticks are harmless and don't require medical treatment, some ticks do carry harmful germs.

Please call your child's doctor if:

- Your child develops a rash of any kind (especially a red-ringed bull's-eye rash)
- The area looks infected (redness, warmth, swelling, pain, oozing pus)
- Your child develops symptoms like fever, headache, fatigue, chills, stiff neck or back, or muscle /joint aches

Think Prevention! Wear light-colored clothing (to see ticks easily) and long-sleeved shirts and pants when playing in wooded areas. Tie back long hair and wear a hat or cap. After playing outside, check your child for ticks, especially the scalp, behind the ears, the neck, under the arms, and the groin.

As always, please give me a call if you have any questions or concerns.