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To: Parents/Carers of pupils,

Measles cases

There have been a number of cases of measles amongst children who attend schools in this area. Measles is a highly infectious viral infection that can cause serious illness. Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine is the safest way to protect your child from this infection.

MMR vaccination

We strongly recommend that all children at the school are up to date with their MMR vaccines. Children routinely receive their first dose at one year of age and their second dose from three years four months old.

If your child has not yet received two doses of the MMR vaccine or you are unsure, please arrange for them to receive these through your GP or practice nurse as soon as possible.

If your child has a weakened immune system (i.e. is immunocompromised) please contact your GP for advice about vaccination.

The signs and symptoms of measles

- high fever
- sore red, watery eyes
- coughing
- a runny nose
- aching and feeling generally unwell
- a blotchy red brown rash, which usually appears after the first symptoms

If you think that your child may have measles, please telephone your doctor or call NHS 111. Individuals with measles remain infectious for about four days after onset of the rash and should be kept away from school until after this time.

An information sheet on measles is attached. Further information about measles and MMR vaccination can be found at NHS Choices:

<http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/Measles/Pages/Introduction.aspx>

Yours faithfully,



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