

Tuesday, 24th March 2026

Dear Parent/Carer,

Meningitis outbreak in Kent

You may have seen coverage in the news about the outbreak of invasive meningococcal disease (this is a form of meningitis) in Kent. We are writing to share with you a helpful blog from the UKHSA which provides more information about meningitis. This includes information about the vaccinations that are available which provide protection against some forms of meningitis and septicaemia.

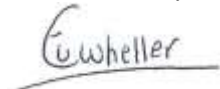
[What is meningitis? Symptoms, risks and how to protect yourself – UK Health Security Agency](#)

Whilst this has occurred in Kent and there are no reported cases in the Midlands, it is a timely reminder to check that your child is up to date with their vaccinations.

If you are unsure whether your child is up to date with their vaccinations, please contact your GP practice who can confirm your child's vaccination status and advise whether any catch-up doses are needed, either at the practice or through the School Aged Immunisation Service. Please note these vaccinations are not arranged by the school so you should not contact us if you have any queries about your child's vaccinations – this should be through your GP practice.

If you have any queries, please contact the Public Health team by emailing hpteam@coventry.gov.uk

Yours sincerely,



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