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Dear Parents/Carers,

Meningitis outbreak in Kent

We understand that recent news reports about the meningitis outbreak in Kent may be concerning for you and we are writing to share information and the correct guidance.

We would like to reassure you that there is no baseline increased risk outside of the specific outbreak in Kent at this time. Currently there is no need for our TEACH Trust schools to take any additional actions beyond routine good practice. There is also no new or additional national guidance issued, following the Kent outbreak.

We would like to take this opportunity to remind you of the importance of keeping routine vaccinations up to date, including the MenACWY vaccine where applicable. The full UK routine schedule is available here:

[Complete routine immunisation schedule from 1 January 2026 - GOV.UK](#)

You can find out about the signs and symptoms of meningitis here:

[Meningitis and sepsis symptoms - Meningitis Research Foundation](#)

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

If a suspected case of meningitis were ever identified within TEACH Trust we have robust procedures in place in relation to immediate steps, communication, and any required risk assessment.

If you would like any further information, you may find the websites below useful;

- **UKHSA statement**, including signs and symptoms of meningitis: **[Cases of invasive meningococcal disease confirmed in Kent - GOV.UK](#)**
- **[UKHSA Blog](#)**
- **[The NHS](#)**
- **[The Meningitis Research Foundation](#)** 0808 800 3344 (24 hours)
- **[Meningitis Now](#)** 0808 80 10 388 (9am – 8pm)



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Thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully,

Kate Carter

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