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**Dear Families** 

Newcastle City Council have contacted schools on behalf of the Department for Education and the NHS.

Because Measles cases are rising across the country, with over 102,000 children starting primary school in England being at risk of catching the disease. They have asked us to share these key messages with you, from the NHS about measles / MMR, to increase awareness and provide information on how to get vaccinated.

Measles is highly infectious and if left unvaccinated nine out of ten children in an early years setting can catch the disease if just one child is infectious.



For more information on vaccinations and when to have them please visit the Government website:

NHS vaccinations and when to have them - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Kind regards.

Mrs Turner Head Teacher



