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Dear Parents and Carers

Important Update: UKHSA Guidance on Meningococcal Disease

I am writing to share an important health update on behalf of West Sussex County Council regarding recent developments identified by the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA).

The UKHSA has issued official guidance following identified cases of **invasive meningococcal disease** in the Kent area. While this update originates from cases in a neighbouring county, we want to ensure our school community remains informed and proactive regarding children's health.

Official Guidance and Resources

If you have any concerns or wish to understand the current situation better, we kindly ask that you refer to the official government briefing:

- **View the Guidance:** [Cases of invasive meningococcal disease notified in Kent - GOV.UK](#)

Sharing this information is a precautionary measure only, to help ensure all families are aware of the symptoms and the appropriate steps to take to protect your children's health. Early awareness is the most effective tool in managing public health.

We appreciate your continued cooperation in keeping our school community safe and healthy.

Yours sincerely

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Headteacher