

Ground Floor, Unit 5
Elliott Court
St Johns Road
Meadowfield
Durham
DH7 8PN

t: 03333 583 397 option 3, option 2

e:<u>immunisations.countydurham@intraheal</u> th.co.uk

29/02/24

Dear Parent/Guardian

## **Measles Outbreak**

You may have seen in the news that there have been serious outbreaks of Measles over the last few months. Outbreaks are now occurring widely in England, with children being the ones mostly affected. This is because many of them have missed out on the opportunity to have their MMR vaccinations for numerous reasons.

Children are offered 2 MMR vaccinations before they start school. If you think your child has not had both doses and you want them to be vaccinated, please contact the immunisation team on 03333583397, option 3, option 3 and we can take consent and arrange this for you.

Alternatively, you can contact your own GP.

The link below provides some information regarding the signs and symptoms of measles as well as the potential complications.

Measles - NHS (www.nhs.uk)

Measles cases are rising. There is no specific treatment for Measles and the MMR vaccination gives the best possible protection against illness

Yours sincerely

On behalf of the North East-Central, School Age Immunisation Service

Service provided by:

