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Dear Headteacher,

Following a large outbreak of measles in Europe and a smaller local outbreak in Newport and Torfaen we are urgently raising awareness of the importance of vaccination against measles in young people. It's important that staff, students and children returning to school after the summer break are up to date with two doses of MMR vaccine.

We would be grateful for your help in raising awareness of this. Please use the above text and the attached infographics on your websites, and/or direct parents to the information via text or app messaging and/or include it in return to school briefings for staff and parents.

Many thanks for your assistance with this important public health issue.

Yours sincerely,

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