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# NEWSLETTER



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## Public Health Wales Resource

Dear Parents and Carers,

You are probably aware that Wales is seeing an increase in cases of Strep A, Scarlet Fever and iGAS this year. In most cases, infection with Strep A causes Scarlet Fever, which is usually a mild illness.

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In response to this increase, Public Health Wales have created a Frequently Asked Questions webpage on the topic of Streptococcus A, Scarlet Fever and iGAS. This is a helpful resource for parents and carers who want to learn more about these illnesses, and you can view it at the following URL:

<https://phw.nhs.wales/topics/strep-a-scarlet-fever-and-igas>

I'd like to state clearly that **there is no cause for concern at Ysgol Calon Cymru**. This FAQ page has been shared with head teachers across Powys so that we can pass it on to members of our school community as a reliable source of information. Public Health Wales is also reminding parents and carers that cases of invasive group A streptococcal infection (iGAS) remain rare in Wales, and that children have a very low risk of contracting the disease.

As always, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us if you have any questions or concerns. The best way to contact the school is via the details listed on our website: [www.ysgolcalon.cymru/contact](http://www.ysgolcalon.cymru/contact)

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