Cases of scarlet fever are on the rise across the country.

If your child has a:

- high temperature
- sore throat and swollen neck glands
- headache
- rash that makes their skin feel rough like sandpaper (this normally appears between 12 48 hours after the initial onset of symptoms)

Contact NHS 111 or your GP as soon as possible.

Scarlet fever is normally a mild illness – early treatment can reduce the risk of complications or the illness spreading to others.

