

MRF Media contact Warmley, Bristol

Warmley parents' warning: Babies under one hit hardest by meningitis and septicaemia.

Matthew & Kirstie Fowles

Son Mason suffered from bacterial meningitis in March 2006 aged 2 months. He was rushed to Bristol Children's Hospital where he crashed and was put into Intensive Care. After 10 days he was well enough to come out. He has made a good recovery and is a happy and healthy three year old.

Said Kirstie: "Our son Mason had bacterial meningitis in 2006 when he was just eight weeks old. Mason had been unwell for a couple of days before he was rushed to Bristol Children's Hospital, where he spent ten days in intensive care fighting for his life. It was the scariest time of our lives. Mason is now a happy and lively three and half year old. Babies under one are 38 times more at risk of meningitis than those older than one, and two babies will die from the diseases every week. We were lucky with Mason but we know that others aren't so lucky with this terrible disease. That's why we are supporting Meningitis Research Foundation's Meningitis Awareness Week. We would encourage everyone to be aware of the symptoms of meningitis and septicaemia as it could save a life."

Willing to do: Press, Radio, TV

If you'd like to speak to Matthew and Kirstie, contact the MRF Communications team: 01454 281811