

**Immunisation Team**  
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Dear Parent/Carer,

**Re: TEENAGE BOOSTERS**

The school nursing team will be visiting your child's school to carry out immunisations. Routine vaccination against Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio, and Meningococcal ACWY Meningitis will be offered. The Mumps, Measles and Rubella vaccine can also be provided, if required.

**Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio (Td/IPV - teenage booster)**

The teenage booster, also known as the 3-in-1 or the Td/IPV vaccine, boosts your child's protection against three separate diseases: tetanus, diphtheria and polio. Your child will already have received four of these immunisations from the age of two months and this booster is needed to complete the course and to ensure that the immunity against these diseases continues into adult life.

You can get more information on the following hyperlink

[www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/3-in-1-teenage-booster.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/3-in-1-teenage-booster.aspx)

**Meningococcal ACWY Meningitis:**

The Men ACWY vaccine will also be offered as a teenage booster to children at the same time as the 3-in-1 teenage booster and will extend your child's protection against meningitis ACWY. This immunisation will protect adolescents, when they are most at risk of developing meningococcal meningitis. This bacterial form of meningitis is a very serious disease, which in some cases can be fatal.

You can get more information on the following hyperlink

[www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/men-acwy-vaccine.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/men-acwy-vaccine.aspx)

**Mumps, Measles and Rubella (MMR)**

There has been a large increase in the number of young people catching measles and mumps. If you think your child did **not** receive two doses of MMR as a child, please contact the immunisation team on 01895 485740. Alternatively, vaccination can be arranged through your GP practice.

You can get more information on the following hyperlink:

[www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/mmr-vaccine.aspx](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/mmr-vaccine.aspx)

**Are there any side effects?**

All vaccinations may have some side effects but these are generally mild. Please read the leaflet provided which has further details. Please speak to the immunisation team or GP, if you are concerned or want more information.

You can find out more on the web at [www.nhs.uk/vaccinations](http://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations)

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When you have read all the information, please complete the consent form in black ink, signing either:-

“YES” if you agree for your child to have the vaccination(s)

Or

“NO” if you do not want your child to have the vaccination(s)

Even if you decide that you **do not** want your child to be immunised it is important that you still complete the **no** section of the form and return it, this enables us to update his/her records held by his/her GP.

**Once completed, please return the consent form to school as soon as possible before the date of the session.**

If you have any queries or questions, please telephone 01895 485740.

**If a young person is able to show that they fully understand what is involved and the decision that they are making, they are legally able to consent for themselves to have immunisations. If we do not receive a signed consent form from you, your child will be given the opportunity to self-consent after an assessment and full discussion with the nurse.**

Thank you.

Yours Sincerely

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