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Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) and MMR Catch Up Programme

Dear Parent/Guardian,

The Children's Immunisation Team will be visiting your child's school to carry out immunisation against Human Papilloma Virus which is now due.

To protect your child please do the following: -

1. Complete and sign the enclosed consent form using black ink

2. Return the form to the school office within 7 days.

The HPV vaccination is part of the childhood immunisation programme for boys and girls, and will consist of 2 injections given at least six months apart. This immunisation will help prevent cases of HPV related cancers in boys and girls, such as head and neck cancers, cervical cancer, anal & genital cancers.

Measles Mumps & Rubella (MMR) Vaccine

There has been a large increase in the number of young people catching measles and mumps, so we are also offering the measles, mumps and rubella vaccine to **any child who has not received two doses of MMR vaccine in the past.**

Further information about this vaccination can be found in the enclosed leaflet. A useful website for information about childhood immunisations is www.immunisation.nhs.uk

Please note: In the absence of a signed consent/refusal form from a parent/carer your child will be given the opportunity to legally consent for themselves to have these immunisations, if they can demonstrate that they are able to fully understand what is involved in the decision that they are making.

Similarly, if you consent on behalf of your child and they refuse vaccination, it will not be given.

We would be grateful if you could return the consent form, even if you prefer your child not to be vaccinated.

The information provided on the form will be securely held on the child's electronic health record until they are 25 years old.

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<http://www.beh-mht.nhs.uk/privacy-notice.htm>

If you have any further questions or queries you can contact the Immunisation Team directly by phone or email, using the contact details at the top of this letter.

Yours sincerely,

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