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Dear Parent/Carer

HPV Vaccination

Your child is being offered the Human Papillomavirus vaccination in school. This offers protection against HPV infection to help reduce the risk of cancer. The vaccine is now offered to both boys and girls. It is a 2 dose vaccine, given in the autumn and summer term of 2020/2021 (when your child will be in Year 8).

For further information visit

[https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/812484/PHE HPV vaccination leaflet.pdf](https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/812484/PHE_HP_V_vaccination_leaflet.pdf)

How do I give my consent?

1. Go to www.hdfnhs.uk/electronic-consent
2. Click on “for HPV vaccination click here”, its further down the page if you can’t see it.
3. Enter the School Code **138845** and click “**Find School**”. Be extra careful to check that it is the correct school.
4. **Complete the form** with your child’s information and parent/guardian contact information*.
5. Click the **green “Submit” button**.
6. If you do not have internet access or you are struggling to complete form please call us on 0300 003 2554

*Once submitted, if you provide a valid email address, you will receive an automatic confirmation email. **If you have provided a valid email address and you do not receive an email please contact us to ensure the form has been completed.** We will also email you to let you know that your child has been vaccinated in school. If your child has specific medical requirements, one of our nurses may need to get in touch before we are due to visit school. Routinely we share your child’s vaccination information with your registered GP surgery.

If for any reason your child is absent from school on a vaccination day don’t worry as we will return to school at a later date to complete the vaccinations (we may not inform you when this is going to be). This may mean that your child will receive their first dose in year 8 and

the 2nd dose in year 9 as there has to be a minimum time period of 6 months in between the 2 doses.

If you have any questions regarding this or do not have internet access or difficulty completing the form please contact us on: **0300 003 2554**

Yours sincerely

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