

Date: Friday 27th November 2020

As we are working towards the Christmas break we just wanted to contact you to thank you for working with us to ensure we see as many young people as possible during this incredibly difficult time. As you are aware there are a lot of people who have missed their immunisations due to school closures, staff and pupils self-isolating and increased sickness. We are aware this can be a concern and frustrating for yourselves and parent/carers who want to know how and when their children can obtain the vaccinations.

In accordance with guidance from NHS England and Public Health England this is the program we are following to ensure all young people have an opportunity to receive any missed vaccination from the School Immunisation Team during 2020/21. This opportunity might be at a school session or an invitation to attend a Community Clinic on an evening or a Saturday.

Current Year 8 - HPV dose 1

One school session is scheduled between September and December 2020. Anyone who has not received their vaccination in school will receive an invitation to attend Community Clinic (either via phone call or letter)

Current Year 10 DTP, Meningitis ACWY – anyone who did not receive their vaccination in school will receive an invitation to attend Community Clinic (either via phone call or letter). **This will be from February 2021 onwards**

Current year 9 DTP, Meningitis ACWY and HPV dose 2

As you are aware the current year 9 pupils missed the HPV 2nd dose. We are therefore offering the DTP, Meningitis ACWY and the HPV at the same session (January to May). You will have received the details to send to parents/carers for gaining consent with more information about the vaccinations. There may be concerns raised about young people receiving multiple vaccinations at one time. Reassurance can be provided as this is common practice in younger children (children aged 12 months routinely have 3 injections to protect against 7 infections).

As we have no plans at the moment for mop up sessions in schools anyone who has not received their vaccination in school will receive an invitation to attend Community Clinic (either via phone call or letter)

Please feel free to share this information with others including any parents/carers. If you have any questions do not hesitate to contact us via this email and someone from the team will get back you.

Thank you

School immunisation Team

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