

## **Immunisation Service (0-19)**

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Parent / carer Year 8 student The Malling School

Dear Parent / Carer,

## 2 and 3 Feb 2022 - Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccination in school.

We are inviting your child to be vaccinated against Human Papilloma Virus (HPV).

HPV infection can cause cervical cancer, head cancer, neck cancer or anal / genital cancer in later life.

The vaccination is now being offered to boys as well as girls.

This is a two-dose vaccination. Dose one is given in year 8 and dose two when your child goes into year 9. To get the best protection, your child needs both vaccines.

Please complete the online consent form at: https://childconsent.co.uk/kchft before midnight on 29 January 2022. You can also use this form to decline the vaccination if you wish.

To use the consent form you will need to enter one of the following details for your child:

- NHS number or
- Legal surname, their date of birth and postcode

If we are unable to vaccinate your child at school we can offer a clinic appointment at one of our Community clinics after the school session.

We will continue to invite your child to be vaccinated unless we hear from you, this may mean that one of our team calls you to obtain verbal consent over the phone. Please make sure that your contact information on the consent form is up to date and make sure you notify your GP of any changes to your address and phone number.

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If your child misses a vaccination in school that you have provided consent for, we may be able to catch up on these at a future vaccination session in school or in the community.

If you want to withdraw consent for a vaccination because your child has since had this elsewhere, or you no longer wish to immunise your child please let us know by completing the form to decline the vaccine or by contacting us if you are unable to access the link.

Please note that a young person can consent to having a vaccination if they are assessed as competent to do so. For more information about consent please go to: <a href="https://www.nhs.uk/chq/pages/900.aspx">www.nhs.uk/chq/pages/900.aspx</a>

If you have any questions, please email us, phone us on 0300 123 5205, text us on 07401320923 or click here to Web chat

For more information about the vaccinations please go to: <u>Immunisations for young people - your questions answered (publishing.service.gov.uk)</u>

Kind regards

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