



Hertfordshire and East Anglia  
Community and School Age Immunisation Service

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Dear Parent/Carer,

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

**Diphtheria, Tetanus, Polio (DTP) and Meningococcal ACWY (MenACWY)**

In line with the National Immunisation Programme, the Community School Aged Immunisation Service offers Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio and Meningococcal ACWY vaccinations to all pupils in Year 9. It may also be offered to anyone who missed the vaccinations in year 10 and above.

**Diphtheria, Tetanus and Polio booster**

This booster dose is important to ensure a young person's continuing immunity and protection against these diseases. University, College, and future employers increasingly ask for evidence of this vaccination.

**Meningococcal ACWY**

Meningococcal ACWY vaccination helps to protect your child against 4 types of meningococcal bacteria (groups A, C, W and Y) that can cause meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain) and septicaemia (blood poisoning). Cases of meningococcal W disease in England have increased significantly in recent years.

For further information about vaccines, click [here](#)

**The School Aged Immunisation Service will be visiting this school on **March 12, 2024****

To say yes or no to this vaccine please click on this link: [Immunisation Form](#) and complete the form.

**The electronic link will close at midday on the working day before the vaccination session.**

**A response is required. Please complete the online form to accept or decline these vaccinations.**

Please note the form will not work on some mobile phones and tablets. Please telephone **0300 555 5055** for alternative consent options

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Camb/PB	<a href="mailto:hct.csaiscambspb@nhs.net">hct.csaiscambspb@nhs.net</a>
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Please make sure on the day of immunisations your child is fit and well and encourage them to eat breakfast.

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### **Consent Form**

It is important for you to discuss and complete the consent form with your child. Please be aware that if we do not receive the completed electronic consent form, each young person will be assessed on an individual basis in line with the Gillick Competency Framework. They may be invited to self-consent for the above vaccinations, providing they can demonstrate an understanding of the vaccinations due. Ultimately, the decision to consent or refuse is the young person's providing they understand the issues involved in giving consent.

### **Measles / Mumps / Rubella (MMR)**

We would also like to remind you that all children and young people should have 2 doses of MMR. If you are not sure whether your child has been fully immunised against MMR please contact your GP or Practice Nurse for advice.

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