

Dear Parents/Carers,

Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccination Changes from September 2023

From September 2023, HPV will move from a 2 dose to 1 dose schedule for the routine adolescent programme.

How does this affect my child?

- For all children in school Year 8 from September 2023, **only 1 HPV vaccination is required.**
- Children in school years 9, 10 & 11 who have already received 1 dose of the HPV vaccine prior to Sept 2023 will be considered fully vaccinated and **will NOT require another dose. These children will not be offered any further HPV vaccinations by the School Immunisation Team.**
- Children in Years 9, 10 or 11 who have not received any doses of HPV, please contact the team to arrange for this to be done.

These changes are being made as the Joint Committee on Vaccination and Immunisation (JCVI) have advised that evidence from a range of studies from across the world shows that one dose is just as effective as two doses at providing protection from HPV infection. For further information on this, please visit <https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/hpv-human-papillomavirus-vaccine/>

If you would like to speak to the School Immunisation Team, please call 01274221269
Yours Sincerely