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Dear Parent or Guardian,

School Leaver Booster (DTP & MenACWY)

The School Aged Immunisation Service will shortly be offering the School Leaver Booster (Meningitis ACWY and Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio vaccinations) for all students in <u>Year 9</u>. The vaccination is **free**, safe and effective.

Meningitis ACWY vaccination:

- Helps to protect your child against four types of meningococcal bacteria (groups A, C, W, and Y) that can cause meningitis (inflammation of the lining of the brain) and to protect against septicaemia (blood poisoning).
- These diseases are very serious and can be life threatening especially if not diagnosed early

The DTP - Td/IPV vaccine also known as the teenage booster or the 3-in-1 vaccine:

- Is given as a single injection.
- Boosts your child's protection against three separate diseases: tetanus, diphtheria and polio.

To find out more information about the Meningitis ACWY vaccine, visit: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/men-acwy-vaccine/

To find out more information about the Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio vaccination, visit: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/3-in-1-teenage-booster/

The team will be visiting **Thomas Adams School on 12**th **and 13**th **March 2024**Once you have read through the information, please complete the electronic consent form:

<u>Please click here or scan the QR code to complete your child's School</u>
<u>Leaver Booster Vaccination</u>



The Link will close at 9.00am on 7th March 2024

How to give consent or decline for your child to get the vaccination

The virtual assistant will ask you for your child's NHS number. You can find this using: https://www.nhs.uk/nhs-services/online-services/find-nhs-number/.

If you don't have this you can still complete the form by inputting their details. Once your child has been identified, the virtual assistant will ask you questions in relation to the vaccine. Your child's details will be sent to the team and your child will be vaccinated in school.

If you **do not wish** for your child to receive this vaccination, you must complete the registration process and then select 'No Consent' on the question that asks which vaccination you are consenting to.

If you have an issue with accessing the site this is likely due to security settings on your device or internet that prevent you being able to see the form (for example, a work phone or computer). Please try again whilst using your own phone/computer connected to your internet at home.

Failure to return the consent form will not be taken as a refusal.

Consent process for pupils in year 9:

If we do not receive a parental or carer consent decision for the vaccination, using the above process, we may allow the young person to self-consent to the vaccination on the day. We will only offer this opportunity to young people in year 9 and above, who have read the appropriate vaccination information and who are assessed by a health professional as having enough understanding and competence to fully appreciate what's involved. Only those who are clearly comfortable in receiving the immunisation will have it.

If parents or carers have responded and refused consent, the decision cannot be overruled by a young person and therefore, we will not vaccinate.

If you are unable to complete the form online, or have any questions you wish to discuss with someone from the team, please contact the team on Tel: **01743 730028** or email shropcom.immunisationteam@nhs.net. If you change your mind about your consent decision please call us on the number above to let us know before the team visit the school, or contact the school on the day.

Measle, Mumps & Rubella (MMR)

We are also able to offer the MMR vaccine, which your child should have completed prior to starting in primary school. If you believe your child did not receive one or both doses of MMR and this is something you wish them to complete, contact us and we can arrange for this vaccination to be given in school at the same time as your child's other vaccines.

To find out more information about the Measle, Mumps & Rubella vaccine, visit: https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/mmr-vaccine/

Yours sincerely,

Debbie Jones, SAIS Clinical Lead

How did we do?

The NHS Friends and Family Test (FFT) is a quick and anonymous way to share your feedback after receiving treatment or care from us.



Please scan the QR code or click here to complete our Friends and Family Test