

Letter from the Bradford School Immunisation Team

We would like to introduce ourselves prior to your child starting high school.

We are a friendly team of Nurses and support workers who deliver immunisations in schools and community clinics.

Your child will have received or been offered different vaccinations throughout their childhood. In high school further vaccinations will be offered to complete your child's routine immunisations and keep them protected from preventable infectious diseases which follows the Department of Health Guidance:

Year	Immunisations Given	What is it?
Yr8 (Girls & Boys)	Human Papilloma Virus (HPV)	This helps to protect against cervical, anal, penile, head & neck cancer.
Yr9 (Girls & Boys)	Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio (DTP) & Meningococcal ACWY (Men ACWY)	One injection protects against Diphtheria, Tetanus & Polio (DTP) and the other injection protects against Meningitis strains A,C,W and Y. These 2 injections will be given on the same day.
Yr8 & Yr9 (Girls & Boys)	Catch-up Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)	2 doses offer protection against Measles, Mumps and Rubella. These are usually given at: 1 st dose at 1 year and the 2 nd dose at 3 years and 4 months. We offer the MMR to those in year 8 and year 9 who have not received the MMR vaccination or only received 1 dose.
Eligible cohorts	Seasonal Flu	The flu vaccine helps protect against flu, which can be a serious life-threatening illness. We offer 2 types of vaccination, the nasal spray which is the most effective and an alternative porcine free injectable vaccine.

At the beginning of each immunisation campaign, you will receive information from school on how to complete an electronic consent form. If we have not heard back from you, the team may contact you directly via a text message or call.

Please complete the online consent forms asap, even if you do not wish your child to receive the vaccine.

The vaccinations will take place in school. This is due to an agreement between Health and Education. If your child is absent on the day, we will endeavour to catch your child up in school or invite you to a community clinic. Alternatively, we can arrange a clinic appointment if you or your child prefer. Please note that your GP Practice is unable to offer some of these vaccinations.

If you wish to discuss anything further, please feel free to contact SPA (single point of access) on **01274 221269** and a member of the team will call you back. You can also visit our webpage by visiting the link below or scanning the QR code below. www.betterliveshealthyfuturesbw.nhs.uk/learning_resource/school-immunisation-team-bradford/



Kind regards –The School Immunisation Team

