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Dear Parent /Carer,

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:**

**Human Papillomavirus (HPV) immunisation**

HPV infections can be spread by any skin-to-skin contact, and are usually found on the fingers, hands, mouth and genitals. This academic year all year 8 students, boys and girls, will be offered the HPV vaccination. Research shows that the HPV vaccination not only provides protection against cervical cancer for girls but protects boys against some cancers of the anus and genital areas, and both boys and girls from some mouth and throat cancers.

In line with the National Immunisation Programme, Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust School Aged Immunisation Service offers the HPV vaccination to all of year 8 boys and girls in school. Your child will require two injections with the second injection given approximately 6 months after the first.

We will be following COVID-19 infection control guidelines at all these sessions. Please can you make sure on the day of the immunisation your child is fit and well. He/She is wearing appropriate clothing i.e. short sleeved shirt or blouse, and they are wearing a face mask for the duration of the immunisation. Please encourage your child to eat breakfast on the morning of the immunisation.

**You must complete the on-line form to accept or decline this vaccination.**

**Note: The form will not work on some mobile phones and tablets.  
If required, you can telephone 01727 732062 for alternative consent options**

**School: Ridgeway Academy**

Please click on this link [Immunisation Form](#) and complete the form.  
You will need this unique code number **EE117525** which identifies your child's school.

**The electronic link will close at 10pm on Wed, 04 Nov 2020**

It is important for you to discuss and complete the consent form with your child.

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

**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.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Maggie Davies', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Maggie Davies, Immunisation Lead (on behalf of the School Aged Immunisation Team)