

St Crispin's School

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Dear Parent/Carer,

This is to inform you that on **Monday 17th and Tuesday 18th May 2021**, the Berkshire Immunisation Team will be visiting all students in Year 9 and offering three vaccines during the same session, which include:

- Tetanus, Diphtheria and Polio (3 in 1 booster)
- Meningitis ACWY
- HPV dose 2 (for students who have received dose 1 at least 6 months prior)

It is estimated that the human body contains enough white blood cells to cope with thousands of vaccines at any one time. If a child was given 11 vaccines at once, it would only use about a thousandth of the immune system. It is not a good idea to delay vaccinations to “spread the load”, because it leaves the child unprotected against serious diseases for longer.

Due to the covid-19 pandemic, the Immunisation Team are still catching up on missed vaccines which is why they are offering the three vaccines together this year.

There is no need to complete any forms as you have already returned the consent form during the last round of vaccinations.

Girls should wear a t-shirt or vest under their school blouse for easy access to their upper arm.

Should you require any further information from the school, please feel free to contact either Mr Hatton, Head of Year 9, or myself.

Yours faithfully

Mrs S Skeates
Pastoral Co-ordinator

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