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Dear Parent or Carer

PROTECT AGAINST CANCER

We are writing to inform you about the HPV Vaccination, which is being offered to your son/daughter during the school academic year.

The HPV Vaccination Programme is being offered to all Year 8 girls/boys (12-13 years old) from September 2019. Previously the programme was offered to girls only. This has resulted in tens of thousands of girls around the UK being safely vaccinated against the disease since 2008.

The HPV vaccination should protect your **daughter** against becoming infected with Human Papilloma Virus strain 16 & 18 that causes over 70% of cervical cancer and Human Papilloma Virus strain 6 & 11 that cause around 90% of genital warts.

The HPV vaccine should also protect your **son** from HPV related diseases – such as oral, throat and anogenital cancers - this will also help to reduce the overall number of cervical cancers in girls, through a process known as herd immunity.

The HPV vaccination is a two-dose course, first dose followed by the second dose 6-12 months later.

Further information can be found at www.nhs.uk/hpv. We hope that the information contained addresses any questions you or your son/daughter might have about the vaccination and that you will feel confident that by having the HPV vaccine they will be protecting themselves and others from a very serious disease later in life.

Please complete the enclosed consent form, in black ink, **signing either “YES” you agree for your son/daughter to receive the two-dose course of the HPV vaccination or “NO” if you disagree to your son/daughter having the vaccination.**

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Even if you decide that you **do not** want your son/daughter to be immunised it is important that you still complete the **No Section** of the form and return it, this enables us to update their medical records.

It is very important for your son/daughters GP details to be completed. Once your son/daughter has received a vaccine a copy of their consent form will be sent directly to their GP Practice for their medical records to be updated.

If you have any queries or questions, please contact the team on 01895 485740.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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