

Dear Parent/Guardian

### **Your Child's Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccination is now due!**

This vaccine is part of the Childhood Immunisation Programme and consists of 2 doses given in school between 6 and 24 months apart.

- The HPV vaccine has been offered to girls in school year 8 for over 10 years. From September 2019, the vaccine will also be offered to boys in year 8.
- Having the HPV vaccine helps protect both boys and girls from Human Papillomavirus related cancers.
- The UK programme has already contributed to preventing future deaths from cancer. We expect it to eventually prevent hundreds of cancer deaths every year.

Further information can be found in the leaflet given to your child during the health education session in school.

#### **What You Need To Do Now**

To complete the electronic consent form for your child to receive 2 doses of the HPV vaccination, please access using the website address below:

[www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/HPV](http://www.nottinghamshireimmunisations.co.uk/Forms/HPV)

Even if you are refusing consent, please still complete the online form.

You will need to enter the unique code for your child's school - the code is NG138248 is Outwood Academy Portland.

**Please submit your consent form ASAP to ensure your child receives the vaccination.**

If you experience any problems or have any queries, please contact us on 01777 863274 and the team will be happy to help.

#### **Please Note**

*If we don't receive a completed form, your son or daughter will be given the opportunity to self-consent. The decision to have the vaccination is legally your son or daughter's as long as they understand the reasons for the vaccination and the issues in giving consent, however, the nurse would much rather have your permission as well.*

#### **If You Need More Information**

Please visit [www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/hpv-human-papillomavirus-vaccine](http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/hpv-human-papillomavirus-vaccine) for further information about the disease and the vaccine, as well as links to other useful websites.

If you would prefer to discuss any concerns or questions, then the team will be more than happy to answer these. Please feel free to contact us on the number or email address above.

Yours faithfully

Nottinghamshire School Aged Immunisation Service