

Our Ref: KR-COVID-19

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Dear Parent/Guardian

COVID-19 vaccination for children aged 12 to 15 years of age only

I am writing to you following on from an offer that was made for COVID-19 vaccinations in your child's school.

I can confirm that the School-aged Immunisation team have been into your child's school carrying out these vaccinations; for those of you that wish for your child to receive this vaccination, and your child has not already received this, you are able to book a COVID-19 vaccination appointment for your child on the NHS website or by calling 119.

The main purpose of the COVID-19 school age vaccination programme is to provide protection to the children who are vaccinated and it may also help to reduce transmission of COVID-19 in our wider population.

If your child has already received the vaccine in school, **please do not book another appointment.** Most children should only have one dose of vaccine.

Important next steps:

Please take time to read the Public Health England COVID-19 information available at:

1. [COVID-19 vaccination – A guide for children and young people \(publishing.service.gov.uk\)](https://www.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1017171/PHE_12073_COVID-19_guide_for_all_CYP.pdf)
2. https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1017171/PHE_12073_COVID-19_guide_for_all_CYP.pdf
3. How to book your child's vaccination:
To book online: Visit www.nhs.uk/covid-vaccination

To book on the phone:

- If you cannot book your appointment online, phone **119** free of charge, 7am to 11pm, 7 days a week. You can ask someone else to do this for you. Please let us know if you need an interpreter.
- You can use text phone **18001 119** or the NHS British Sign Language interpreter service at www.interpreternow.co.uk/nhs119

Details about your child's vaccination will also be included on their health record and shared with their GP.

Further information for parents about the COVID-19 vaccination programme for 12 to 15 year olds can also be found at <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-resources-for-schools/covid-19-vaccination-programme-for-young-people-guidance-for-parents>

If you have any questions, please contact your local School-aged Immunisation team using the details below.

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Yours sincerely,

St Helens School aged Immunisation teams