

22nd October 2021

Dear Parents and Carers,

IMPORTANT INFORMATION – COVID-19 VACCINATIONS

Students aged 12 to 15 years old will be offered the Covid-19 vaccination in school on the rescheduled date Thursday 18th November 2021, **please see the attached letter from the NHS**. Parental consent is required so it is vital that every family responds as soon as possible by following the link within that letter if you haven't already completed the online consent form.

If your child is aged 16 or above and has not yet been vaccinated you can request a vaccine on the same day by contacting the Immunisation team directly on the contact details they have provided.

We have been advised that the NHS Immunisation Team will be administering the Pfizer vaccine. Students will remain with the team for observation for 15 minutes post vaccination.

While technical questions are best directed to the Immunisation team, please do not hesitate to contact the school if you have any queries about the arrangements for the day.

Yours faithfully,

Mr N. K. Willingham Headteacher



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The COVID-19 vaccination will reduce the chance of suffering from COVID-19 disease. Like all medicines, no vaccine is completely effective, and it takes a few weeks for the body to build up protection from the vaccine. Some people may still get COVID-19 despite having a vaccination, but this should lessen the severity of any infection. The vaccine cannot give COVID-19 infection, and two doses will reduce the chance of becoming seriously ill. Like all medicines, vaccines can cause side effects. Most of these are mild and short-term, and not everyone gets them.

Following the advice of the Chief Medical Officer and Public Health England (PHE), the COVID-19 mass vaccination programme has been extended to include all 12 to 15-year-olds in Hertfordshire. The School Aged Immunisation Team (SAIS) have been commissioned to deliver the programme in all secondary schools in East Anglia. The team will visit your school on:

School Name: St Clements High School Session Date: Thursday 18th November 2021

A response is required. You must accept or decline this vaccination by completing the online form.

Please click this link <u>COVID-19 Consent</u> and complete the form for COVID-19.

You will need this unique code number **EE140557** which identifies your child's school. The electronic link will close at midday the day before the vaccine session. Our contact details are above. It is important to discuss and complete the consent form with your child. For further information regarding the COVID-19 vaccination, please visit www.nhs.uk/covidvaccination. Please make sure on the day of immunisation your child is well and encourage them to eat breakfast.

PLEASE NOTE: If your child is in Year 8 or above and you also consent to the HPV vaccination, this may be given at the same session.

Yours sincerely,

Hertfordshire and East Anglia Community and School Age Immunisation Team

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