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Our Ref: HPV Year 8

Parents and Guardians of Year 8 pupils

Date 20 January 2020

Dear Parents and Guardians

The School Nurse Team are due into schools to offer the HPV vaccine that protects against several types of cancer in the coming weeks and you should all have received information about this in the post with a consent form to return to school.

A member of the School nurse Team will be attending all schools prior to the date for Immunisation and will give a short presentation to the students about immunisations given in secondary school. The aim of this is to give a little information about immunisations and the vaccines but the primary objective is to reassure and try to calm any nerves. We have found in previous years that this has been helpful and gives the pupils a chance to ask a health professional questions prior to the day.

The date for the presentation in The Ladies' College Is Friday 24th January 2020

If you have not done so already we would encourage you to return the consent forms to school, even if you are declining consent. We have asked for forms to be returned to school by **Monday 20th January**. If you require a further copy of them please either contact your school who can provide a copy or the school nurses at Lukis House. Please also contact the school nurses if we can help any further.

Further information about the vaccine can be obtained at <u>www.nhs.uk/vaccinations</u> or <u>www.gov.gg/schoolnurses</u>

Yours faithfully

School Nurse Team

Children's and Family Community Services