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Dear Parent /Carer

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION: Beating Cervical Cancer**

**Human Papillomavirus (HPV) immunisation**

After breast cancer, cervical cancer is the most common women’s cancer in the world. The HPV vaccine protects against the two types of human papillomavirus that causes most cases of cervical cancer. Adolescent girls who have the HPV vaccination will reduce their risk of getting cervical cancer by over 70%.

Click [here](#) for further information about the HPV vaccination.

In line with the National Immunisation Programme, Hertfordshire Community NHS Trust school nursing immunisation team offers the HPV vaccination to all **year 8 girls** in school.

Your daughter will require two injections, with the second injection given 6 to 24 months after the first.

If you would like to consent to your child receiving this immunisation please ensure you complete the electronic consent as soon as possible

**Electronic consent**

Click on this link [Immunisation Consent Form](#) to complete the consent form. You will need this code **EE136606** which identifies your child’s school

**Late return of consent forms**

Children will not be vaccinated at the school session without the submission on line of the electronic consent form.

**The electronic consent form will close at 9am on 30 Apr 2018**

**Consent Form**

It is important for you to discuss and complete the consent form with your child.
Please contact the immunisation team on 01727 734026 if you have any concerns or questions about any of these vaccinations.

**Measles / Mumps / Rubella (MMR)**
We would also like to remind you that all children and young people should have 2 doses of MMR. If you are not sure whether your child has been fully immunised against MMR please contact your GP or Practice Nurse for advice.

Yours faithfully

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