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Dear parents, guardians and carers,

As you may be aware, the government has announced that young people aged 12 to 15 in England will be offered one dose of the Pfizer/BioNTech COVID-19 vaccine.

Our school vaccination programme is organised and managed by the NHS which now includes the COVID-19 vaccine. Children who are 12 years old and over on the day the School Age Immunisation Service (SAIS) team visits the school, will be offered a vaccination as part of the in-school vaccination programme.

Parental, guardian and carer consent will be sought by NHS vaccination healthcare professionals prior to any vaccination administered, in-line with our existing school vaccination programme. A consent form and information leaflet provided by the SAIS team will be used to seek parental consent. You will also be provided with a contact number for the SAIS team in case of any queries.

Although the COVID-19 vaccine is taking place on school premises, teaching and support staff are not involved, nor have any responsibility for, the vaccination roll out.

If you have any questions, issues or concerns these need to be raised with your local Public Health authority, not the school.

For further information on the vaccination programme, please see Public Health England's COVID-19 vaccination resources: [COVID-19 vaccination programme for young people: guidance for parents](#) and [COVID-19 vaccination: resources for children and young people](#).

Kind regards,

Mr P Mitchell
Headteacher

Parents/Carers: Stay Alert. Keep your child at home if they have Covid-19 symptoms. Stay Safe.