

Dear Parents and Carers,

I need to start this letter by highlighting the strict arrangements that schools must follow in relation to accepting, storing and dispensing medication:

*Please ensure that **all** medication that comes into school is in the original box with the prescription label. School is unable to accept any medication if these steps are not observed. To do so would place your child and school at risk.*

Medication must come into school via the taxi escort and handed in at the front office. If this step is not observed there is a risk that medication could sit unnoticed by staff in a pupils' school bag throughout the school day. The risk is obvious- another child may access and take this medication and consequently become very unwell.

The rules around medication are there to protect a child, thank you in advance for your attention in this matter.

The immunisations team will be on the school site on **Friday 21st May** to carry out the Year 8 and 9 HPV vaccinations for those who have given consent. Year 8 will be receiving their 1st dose and year 9 will receive their 2nd dose.

During this week I have been carrying out Lesson Observations with teaching staff. These activities give me an opportunity to observe the work pupils are completing and talk with pupils about how they feel their learning is going and what their ambitions for the future might be. It is difficult to describe the atmosphere, but one way would be to describe the 'buzz and hum' that can be seen and felt during lessons as pupils positively engage with their learning. Being able to observe pupils learning and make progress is one of the highlights of my roll. I would like to thank the pupils for their very positive commitment to school and the Teaching, Teaching Assistant and Office staff for providing the opportunities for pupils to be the success they are.

Over the next few weeks parents evening will take place. We have had to make some adaptations as a result of the pandemic, but hope you will still get the key information you need in regard to your child's progress at school and the next steps. As restrictions continue to ease we will look at those Covid-19 protocols that might be worth keeping as they have had a positive impact on outcomes in school.

It looks like we are in for another wet weekend, despite that I hope you have a safe weekend.

Yours faithfully,

Mr McCann
Headteacher



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