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Principal's Update: Information about COVID vaccines for children aged 12 -16

Dear Parents and Carers,

This letter is to inform you that the government has agreed plans for the delivery of a single dose of COVID vaccine for children aged 12-16, where consent is given. This will be organised at a local level for the NHS by the School Aged Immunisation Service (SAIS).

Fairfield High School will be providing a space for the vaccinations and facilitating the seeking of consent by sharing communications from the SAIS. Consent, or otherwise, is given to the SAIS not Fairfield. The school and school staff are not directly administering the vaccines, as this will be carried out by qualified health professionals, as with all school-based vaccines. Children will only be vaccinated where there is informed consent, and this will be sought in the usual way by the SAIS.

The guidance for parents and carers which can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-resources-for-schools/covid-19-vaccination-programme-for-young-people-guidance-for-parents>

The NHS has also produced a parental guide which can be found here:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/covid-19-vaccination-resources-for-children-and-young-people/covid-19-vaccination-a-guide-for-eligible-children-and-young-people-aged-12-to-17>

At the time of writing this we have not been contacted by the School Aged Immunisation Service and only have access to the guidance that has been shared with you. Further details will follow once we have them.

Best wishes

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Principal

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