

Dear parent/caregiver

Immunisations for Year 7 and 8 students

We will be coming to your school in 2023, to offer the following immunisations to Year 7 and Year 8 students.

What is the name of the immunisation?	What diseases does the immunisation offer protection against	Who will the immunisation be given to?	How many injections does a child have?
Boostrix	Diphtheria Tetanus Whooping cough	Year 7 - girls and boys	One
Gardasil 9	Human Papillomavirus (HPV) which can lead to cancer	Year 8 - girls and boys	Two (over a six months)

To receive any immunisation at school, a child must have a consent form filled out and signed by their parent or legal guardian. **We will be sending these forms out in February 2023 so please look out for them, complete, and return to the school.**

It is important that even if you do not consent to the vaccination at school that you return the form, indicating a non-consent.

Information on the vaccines, diseases covered and management of personal information is included in the consent form and accompanying information.

A nurse from the Immunisation team will come to the school to give an education session to the students in February **2023**.

Parents are welcome to contact the PHN or their GP for more information or, Information is also available from ,

- 0800 466 863 (0800 IMMUNE)
- www.moh.govt.nz/immunisation
- www.cervicalcancervaccine.govt.nz

Yours sincerely
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