

Dear Parent/Carer,

The government have announced that 12 - 15 year olds will be given the opportunity to be vaccinated in schools. We have not had any specific details of this yet, but I thought that you would like to see what information is available so that you can begin thinking about it with your child.

I have attached Public Health England's guide. I think that the link to this page on the BBC website is a bit more useful and practical: <u>Is it safe to vaccinate our child?</u> There is also: <u>Which children are being vaccinated and why?</u>

When we have more information I will contact you again. Please note - no-one is being made to have the vaccine - only those children who provide consent.

## Our current Measures:

I am pleased to say that our current measures (wearing face coverings and flow system) are working well and there is no evidence of in-school transmission yet. This has not been the case county-wide where sadly some schools are seeing significant numbers of students with Covid missing school and the reintroduction of temporary bubbles and on-site testing. We are not having to isolate any of our students, but what we do ask is that if you have a confirmed Covid case in your household, you keep your child at home and they will be provided with remote work.

Kind regards

Mr Steven Haycocks HEADTEACHER

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Your Word is a lamp for my feet and a light on my path. (Psalm 119, vs 105)

