

St Gabriel's CEP

Immunisation Statement

Aim

Immunisation is a safe and effective way to protect children and adults from some serious and sometimes fatal infections. The objective of this policy is to maximise the number of children who have been vaccinated according to the national immunisation schedule in order to:

- protect children by vaccination
- minimise exposure to vaccine preventable diseases of children and adults who for medical reasons cannot be vaccinated.

The most up-to-date immunisation advice is on the NHS Choices website at www.nhs.uk

Method

Immunisation of pupils

- The immunisation records and GP of all children attending the school will be recorded on admission and will be kept confidential. This is done through a health questionnaire that is then given to the School Nurse.
- If the child has not been immunised according to the national immunisation schedule then the reason for this will be recorded.
- Apart from medical reasons if a child has not being immunised according to the national immunisation schedule, parents will be encouraged to have their child immunised and any immunisation missed or further catch-up doses organised through the child's GP.
- Where appropriate, the School Nurse will explain to the children what happens when they have a vaccination. Explain that having an injection may hurt a little, but that it will help to stop them getting ill.

Outbreaks

- Outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases will be dealt with according to the policy for responding to children who are ill.
- All parents will be informed promptly of an outbreak.
- Parents of children particularly vulnerable to infection will be informed promptly of an outbreak so they can take appropriate medical advice.

This policy was updated by Rebecca Anson

For St Gabriel's CEP

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Useful Resources and Websites

- NHS Choices website at www.nhs.uk
- Gov.uk guidance. <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/health-protection-in-schools-and-other-childcare-facilities/children-and-young-people-settings-tools-and-resources>

Appendix A: National Immunisation Schedule

To view the complete routine immunisation schedule, please visit: <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-complete-routine-immunisation-schedule>

Appendix B: Key Contacts

School Nurse – Sahmira Todd-Harris

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