## George Street Primary School

## "Where Learning Comes Alive"

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## Dear parents/carers

Half term clinics for MMR - Protect your child against measles this half term Pop-up vaccination clinics have been arranged over half term to make it easier for you to make sure your child is fully vaccinated against measles and any other childhood vaccinations they may have missed. People of all ages can attend the clinics, including young people and adults. Find your nearest session in the table below. Measles can make your child seriously unwell and one in five children end up in hospital because of complications. Measles spreads very easily, especially in schools. A child with measles will infect almost all unprotected children they have contact with as they can catch it just by spending time in the same room as someone. Vaccination is the best protection against measles, and it is vitally important to make sure your children have had both of their free MMR vaccinations. The MMR vaccine is safe, effective and provides long-lasting protection against three serious illnesses - measles, mumps, and rubella. The first dose of MMR is usually given around a child's first birthday, with the second dose before they start school. Even if your child is older, they can still come along to these sessions to catch up on any vaccinations they have missed. Visit one of the half term vaccination clinics below - you can book your appointment by calling 0300 555 5055 and choosing option 1. For the sessions on Monday in Hatfield and Wednesday in Hemel Hempstead, you can also walk in without an appointment (please arrive 30 minutes before the end of the clinic). You might have a short wait, but the vaccination nurses will see people as quickly as possible.

Saturday 17 February 9am – 3pm Peace Childrens Centre Peace Prospect Watford WD17 3EW Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Monday 19 February 9am – 3pm Queensway Health Centre Queensway Hatfield AL10 0LF Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1 Or walk in without an appointment before 2.30pm

Tuesday 20 February 9am – 3pm Queensway Health Centre Queensway Hatfield AL10 0LF Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Wednesday 21 February 9am – 3pm Longdean School Rumballs Road Hemel Hempstead HP3 8JB Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1 Or walk in without an appointment before 2.30pm

Wednesday 21 February 9am – 1pm St Albans Wellbeing Centre Civic Centre St Albans AL1 3JE Book by calling 0300 555 5055 and choosing option 1

Wednesday 21 February 9am – 3pm Waltham Cross Health Clinic Stanhope Road Waltham Cross EN8 7DJ Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Thursday 22 February 9am – 2.30pm The BECC Family Centre Off Shakespeare Drive Furzehill Road Borehamwood WD6 2FD Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Thursday 22 February 9am – 3pm Windhill Family Centre Windhill Primary School Windhill Bishop's Stortford CM23 2NE Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Friday 23 February 9am – 3pm St Albans Wellbeing Centre Civic Centre St Albans AL1 3JE Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Friday 23 February 9am – 3pm Nevells Road Health Centre Nevells Road Letchworth Garden City SG6 4TS Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

Saturday 24 February 9am – 3pm Queensway Health Centre Queensway Hatfield AL10 0LF Book by calling 0300 555 5055, and choosing option 1

If you can't make any of these clinics, you can still contact your GP to make an appointment. Check if your child has had all their vaccinations by looking in their red book or via the NHS app. Measles usually starts with cold-like symptoms, followed by a rash a few days later and some people may get small spots in their mouth. If you think your child might have measles, check symptoms on the NHS website. Keep your child at home and call your GP practice for advice. Find more information on the NHS website: www.nhs.uk

