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Dear Parents & Carers,

IMPORTANT INFORMATION - COVID-19 VACCINATIONS – Students 12 – 15 year-olds

The COVID-19 vaccination will reduce the chance of suffering from COVID-19 disease. Like all medicines, no vaccine is completely effective, and it takes a few weeks for the body to build up protection from the vaccine. Some people may still get COVID-19 despite having a vaccination, but this should lessen the severity of any infection. The vaccine cannot give you the COVID-19 infection, and a single dose will reduce the chance of becoming seriously ill. Like all medicines, vaccines can cause side effects. Most of these are mild and short-term, and not everyone gets them.

Following the advice of the Chief Medical Officer and Public Health England (PHE), the COVID-19 mass vaccination programme has been extended to include all 12 to 15-year-olds.

The School Aged Immunisation Team (SAIS) have been commissioned to deliver the programme in all secondary schools in East Anglia. The SAIS team intend to visit Marshland High School on **Monday 22nd November 2021** (please note dates have been subject to change)

A response is required. You must accept or decline this vaccination by completing the online form. Please click this link [COVID-19 Consent](#) to complete the form.

You will need this unique code number **EE142396** which identifies your child's school. The electronic link will close at midday on the day before the vaccine session. Please make sure on the day of immunisation your child is well and encourage them to eat breakfast.

The SAIS contact details can be found below. ***Please note Marshland High School has no involvement in the consent or vaccination process.***

It is important to discuss and complete the consent form with your child. For further information, including to book vaccinations for 16 years and above, please visit www.nhs.uk/covidvaccination

Yours sincerely

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