



4th February, 2009

Dear Parents,

RE: VACCINATION PROGRAM 2009

*A Christian School
with vibrant learning,
building character
with integrity
through service*

The Public Health Unit will be conducting four immunisation programs concurrently in our school.

- . The Human Papillomavirus (HPV) Vaccination Program, offering a 3 dose course of vaccine to girls in years 7, and
- . The Hepatitis B (2 dose course) and Chicken Pox (1 dose course) program for all year 7 students.
- . Diphtheria tetanus pertussis booster for all year 10 students.

The combined programs will be run over 3 visits to the school on:

Monday, 2nd March, 2009
Wednesday, 6th May, 2009
Tuesday, 4th August, 2009

Please read the Parent Information Kit and complete the consent form (in black or blue ink) and return it to Student Services Office **only** if you wish your child to be vaccinated. This consent will operate for the entire program and you will not be required to complete additional paper work for each immunisation. Please check the newsletter for a reminder of these dates. Translated information is available on the NSW Health website at www.health.nsw.gov.au.

Students in year 7 who have had chicken pox disease or prior vaccination do not require another dose at school; likewise, students who have received a prior course of 3 Hep B vaccinations in their lifetime. If parents/guardians are unsure about previous vaccines, they should check their child's immunisation records or contact their local doctor. A Record of Vaccination will be provided to your child on the day of the clinic. Please ask your child for this record. Do not assume that your child has been vaccinated if you do not receive a Record of Vaccination.

Yours sincerely,

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