Dear Parents and Carers,

We are working together with West Sussex County Council to ensure children are fully protected from preventable childhood diseases.Vaccinations play a huge part in protecting children, families, and the community against unpleasant and often serious diseases. It is important that children get vaccinated when they are invited to do so.

Ensuring your child has their vaccinations at the right time gives them the best protection. The good news is it is never too late to catch up on any vaccinations your child has missed, and it is important to catch up before they start school.

Vaccinations are safe, free of charge in the UK and available from your GP practice.

If you are not sure whether your child has had all their vaccines:

* Check your child’s personal health record (red book)
* Ask your health visitor
* Contact your GP practice

Contact your GP practice if you think:

* your child has missed any of their vaccinations,
* you need to change a vaccination appointment, or
* you are not sure if your child is up to date with their vaccinations.

You can find out more about childhood vaccinations at:

* [www.westsussex.gov.uk/campaigns/childhood-immunisations](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/campaigns/childhood-immunisations)
* [Vaccinations and Newborn Screening Tests | Baby | Start for Life](https://www.nhs.uk/start4life/baby/vaccinations-and-newborn-screening-tests/)
* [Vaccinations and Immunisations | Toddler | Start for Life](https://www.nhs.uk/start4life/toddler/vaccinations-and-immunisations-toddler/)

Please feel free to talk to *<Insert staff name(s) or job role(s) here>* if you have any questions or would like further information.

Kind Regards,

*<Inset name here>*

