

5<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Dear Parents\Carers,

As mentioned in my letter over the weekend, the day that Vaccination UK has scheduled to make vaccination available to students at Highgate Wood School is Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> October. This applies only to students who are between the ages of 12 and 15 on that day for whom e-consent has been provided.

The school is now working with Vaccination UK to try and minimise the disruption that these vaccinations will cause to the school day. Unfortunately, Vaccination UK are unable to provide complete details of their planned programme until they have a good sense of the numbers who wish to be involved. They will let the school have a clearer idea on Monday 11<sup>th</sup> October – once the e-consent system has closed (which will happen on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October).

In the meantime we do need to make contingency plans to help ensure disruption to learning is kept to a minimum. As the vaccination programme does not impact on most students in Years 7, 12 and 13, school will be open as usual for these groups. For students in Years 8, 9, 10 and 11 however, we ask that they work remotely from home – with teachers delivering “live” lessons through Google Meet. This will be for Periods 1 to 4 only. There will be no Period 5 lessons for any year groups, so Years 7, 12 and 13 will be ending school after their lunch and virtual Period 5 lessons will not occur. These plans may need to change, depending on the information we receive from Vaccination UK, and we will inform you of this as soon as we possibly can. In the meantime our teachers are preparing for remote teaching for all students in Year 8 to 11 for that day.

I attach here the letter from Vaccination UK giving information on their programme and the link to the e-consent form. I copy that link [here](#) as it is important that those families who do wish to be involved in the vaccination programme complete it as soon as possible.

Whilst writing I would also like to remind families that the school will be closed at lunchtime on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> October to allow us to prepare for Primary Transition Open Evening. You will receive more information about this very shortly.

With thanks for your continued support.

Yours sincerely



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Highgate Wood School Student Council supports individual action to address the issues of Climate Change and promotes the United Nations top 10 recommendations.

