

February Newsletter: Information for parents and schools

Bolton NHS Foundation Trust has a dedicated School Aged Immunisation Team made up of highly skilled staff who are experienced in offering vaccinations to all high school aged children in Bolton.

In this month's Newsletter, the Immunisation Team are focusing on **Measles and the Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) Vaccination**

What is Measles?

- Measles is highly infectious and can spread easily through coughing and sneezing.
- Measles can be very serious, causing a rash and high temperature
- Complications include ear and chest infections, diarrhoea, infections of the brain and brain damage.

Your child is at risk of measles if he or she has not had the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccination



What to do next?

- If you are unsure whether your child has had 1 or 2 doses of the MMR Vaccination, please check your child's red book or contact your GP Practice.

PLEASE REMEMBER: TO BE PROTECTED FROM MEASLES AND OTHER INFECTIONS LIKE MUMPS AND RUBELLA, YOU NEED TO BE PROTECTED WITH 2 DOSES OF THE MMR VACCINATION

Both MMR Vaccinations can be given by your registered GP Practice

For more information visit: [Measles: information for schools and healthcare centres - GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/measles-information-for-schools-and-healthcare-centres)
(www.gov.uk)

If you have any questions, please contact your GP who will be able to offer advice or assistance.