



# Trinity Catholic High School

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Dear Parents/Carers,

As you know, the NHS will have a vaccination team on site here at Trinity on **29<sup>th</sup> November 2021** to offer all children aged 12 to 15 their first dose of a COVID-19 vaccine. I draw attention to the attached "Important points about the in-school vaccine programme" and I advise that all parents should read this.

If you do not want to take advantage of the in-school vaccination programme please note that:

- a) You can book a vaccination appointment for a vaccination centre or pharmacy. This can be done using the following link: [Book or manage a dose of the coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccination.](#)
- b) Get the vaccine at a walk-in centre without needing an appointment. You can check if there is a walk-in vaccination site near you on the following link: [Find a walk-in coronavirus \(COVID-19\) vaccination site.](#)

I understand that several families have already taken advantage of the above facilities and their children have now been vaccinated against Coronavirus (Covid-19) – I welcome this.

Please note that, if you have already consented to the NHS in-school vaccination programme and received the vaccination outside of school, you should now withdraw consent to help the NHS vaccination team to plan and prepare effectively for their programme of vaccinations at Trinity on 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021. This can be done by calling **Vaccination UK on 0203 432 1537** or by email using [Redbridge@v-uk.co.uk](mailto:Redbridge@v-uk.co.uk). Please include your child's full details as described in the original Consent Information Email that you will have received from the NHS.

Many thanks for your ongoing support with these important school and public health matters.

Yours sincerely,

Dr P Doherty OBE  
Headmaster

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## NHS: Important points about the in-school vaccine programme

- If no consent has been received from parents/carers prior to the day of the vaccination, the child will not receive the vaccination.
- **Parents can accept or decline** this vaccination by completing the online form. The link to the e-consent form is here:  
  
<https://london.schoolvaccination.uk/covid/2021/redbridge>
- Please complete the online consent form by **Friday 19<sup>th</sup> November**.
- Whilst schools may host immunisation services, they are not responsible for securing parental consent or mediating between parents/carers and children who may disagree about whether or not to consent.
- The in-school vaccination is available only to children aged 12 to 15. If your child is already 16 or prefer to be vaccinated elsewhere, please contact the local vaccination centres who will be able to advise you.
- If your child is still aged 11 they do not qualify for the vaccine. If your child turns 12 on the date of vaccination they do qualify for the vaccine.
- Sixth Form students should book their vaccination through local centres.
- If your child misses school on that day, or for some reason was not able to have the vaccination, we will provide details of other local centres where they can get the vaccination.
- As with all school aged immunisations this is a service being provided and administered by the North East London NHS Foundation Trust (NELFT), with school acting only as a venue. If you have queries or concerns about this please contact the NELFT School Health Team.
- The NHS will be legally responsible for the delivery of the vaccine. Legal accountability for offering Covid-19 vaccines to children and young people sits with the NHS and not with Trinity Catholic High School.
- NELFT teams, who are all trained to spot and manage allergic reactions, will observe children for 15 minutes after they receive their vaccination.