



# MARIST COLLEGE NORTH SHORE

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Dear Parents/Guardians,

## YEAR 7 SCHOOL VACCINATION PROGRAM 2020

NSW Ministry of Health offers all school students the following free vaccinations recommended by the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC).

- **Diphtheria, tetanus and pertussis (whooping cough) vaccine** - 1 booster dose. This dose was previously recommended at 15 years of age. Your child will only be offered this vaccine in year 7.
- **Human Papillomavirus (HPV) vaccine** - a 2 dose course offered to boys and girls.

Your son has been given an information pack today. Please read the information provided with the consent form to understand the facts about the vaccines that will be offered and the diseases that these vaccines protect against before you sign the forms. Please note that in order for your son to receive each vaccination the consent forms must be signed by a parent or guardian. The nurses will not be able to vaccinate your child if this is not done. These forms must be returned by **Wednesday 4 March** to the College reception.

Nurses will be visiting the College to administer vaccines on the following dates:

- **Visit 1: Wednesday, 25 March**
- **Visit 2: Friday, 6 November**

A Record of Vaccination will be provided to each student vaccinated at the College. Parents/guardians should ensure that this record is kept for future reference and should not assume that their child has been vaccinated if they do not receive this Record of Vaccination.

If you have any further queries please do not hesitate to contact the School Immunisation Team at Northern Sydney Public Health Unit on (02) 9477 9400.

Yours sincerely,

**Simon Jenkins**  
Administration Coordinator

**Tony Duncan**  
Principal