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Dear Parent/Guardian

Has your child had their pre-school immunisations?

If your child is aged between three and five years old they should be immunised before starting school.

Pre-school immunisations (also known as vaccinations) will protect your child against serious diseases.

The table below shows the pre-school immunisations that your child will be offered by the GP practice they are registered with.

Vaccine	How it is given	Comments
Diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough), polio	One injection	This is a booster dose of the vaccine your child had as a baby, but without the Hib part.
Measles, mumps and rubella (MMR)	One injection	This is a second dose of the MMR vaccine. (If your child has not had the first dose yet, it should be given now and they should have their second dose in one month's time.)
Flu	Nasal spray	This will be given in the autumn/winter by the immunisation team at the school. Children who cannot have the nasal spray for medical reasons will be offered a vaccination by injection.

If your child missed any of their immunisations as a baby or toddler, this is a good time to ask your GP practice or clinic about catch-up doses.

It is never too late to have your child immunised. Your child can catch up on any immunisations that were missed without starting the course of immunisations from the

beginning.

To make sure that your child is fully protected, contact your GP or Practice Nurse.

You can also visit www.nhs.uk/vaccinations or call the free NHS helpline 111 for more information.

The link below is a guide to the booklet pre-school immunisation from two years old until starting primary school.

<https://bit.ly/2Rlpzfi>

Please do not hesitate to contact your local health protection team if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Deborah Turbitt".

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