



February 5, 2021

Year 7 Vaccination Program 2021

Dear Parents,

In 2021 all Year 7 students will be offered vaccinations through school based immunisation clinics.

The vaccinations offered will protect against:

- Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Whooping Cough)
- Human Papilloma Virus (Virus known to significantly increase risk of cervical cancer). **MALES & FEMALES (Males will also be offered this vaccination as they are also vulnerable to the virus and are capable of passing HPV onto females)**. There are two doses associated with this vaccine which are administered 6 months apart.

The vaccination schedule is as follows:

Vaccination	Dose/s	Date
Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (Whooping Cough) → 1 st Dose	1	Tuesday 9 th March
Human Papilloma Virus Males & Females → 1st Dose	1	Tuesday 9 th March
Human Papilloma Virus Males & Females → 2nd Dose	2	Tuesday 26 th Oct
CATCHUP		Monday 26 th July Tuesday 26 th Oct

The vaccination program is due to commence on **Tuesday 9th March** with the first dose of the Human Papilloma Virus vaccine for all students. The Diphtheria, Tetanus & Whooping Cough vaccine will also be administered on this day.

Please read the information concerning each vaccine in the package which will be brought home by your child. **Please return the official forms to school by Tuesday 2nd March** if you wish for your child to be vaccinated. If these forms are not returned by the due date your child **WILL NOT** be able to receive any of the vaccinations.

If you have any concerns or queries concerning the vaccinations, please do not hesitate to contact me via email lmccrorie@parra.catholic.edu.au.

Yours sincerely,

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