# SIR THOMAS RICH'S SCHOOL



## 12-15 Year Olds Vaccination Offer

#### Dear Parents

We have now been informed that all pupils between 12 and 15 years old will be offered the Pfizer vaccine in school on Tuesday 1 March. This can be a first dose of a vaccine for those who have not yet had their first dose, or a second dose of the vaccine for those who have had their first dose at least 12 weeks previously.

The vaccine can only be given to children who are 12 years or older on the day of vaccination. The vaccination team are also unable to give the vaccine to any children who have tested positive for COVID-19 in the previous 12 weeks before the vaccination date. Please see the link to the letter from Caroline Halford who is the Head of School Aged Immunisations in Gloucestershire Health and Care NHS Foundation trust; this letter contains a further link in order for you to consent to your child being vaccinated:

Letter from School Aged Immunisation Team

#### Covid 19 Vaccination - A guide for children and young people

A reminder that there is no pressure or expectation at all from the School for students to be vaccinated; indeed it is very important for the School to remain neutral in this matter, lest parents and students feel swayed to base their view on the School's stance.

I can once again assure parents that if a child does not have parental consent and does not want to take the vaccine they will not receive it, and they will of course continue to attend school and participate in activities as usual.

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