



Immunisation Statement

Aim

Immunisation is a safe and effective way to protect children and adults from some serious and sometimes fatal infections. The objective of this policy is to maximise the number of children who have been vaccinated according to the national immunisation schedule in order to:

- Protect children by vaccination.
- Minimise exposure to vaccine preventable diseases of children and adults who for medical reasons cannot be vaccinated.

The most up-to-date immunisation advice is on the NHS Choices website at www.nhs.uk

Method

Immunisation of pupils

- The immunisation records and GP of all children attending BEYA Schools will be recorded on admission and will be kept confidential.
- If the child has not been immunised according to the national immunisation schedule then the reason for this will be recorded. If the reason is a medical one the parent is to provide a letter of confirmation from their GP or Health Visitor.
- Apart from medical reasons if a child has not been immunised according to the national immunisation schedule, parents will be encouraged through newsletters, leaflets and displayed information to have their child immunised and any immunisation missed or further catch-up doses organised through the child's GP.
- Where appropriate, the school setting will explain to the children what happens when they have a vaccination. Explain that having an injection may hurt a little, but that it will help to stop them getting ill.

Immunisation of staff

- Staff vaccinations are recommended and payable by staff
 - Whooping cough (pertussis vaccine)
 - Measles, mumps ,rubella(MMR)vaccine (if nonimmune)
 - Chicken pox (varicella) vaccine(if nonimmune)
 - Hepatitis A vaccine
 - Seasonal influenza vaccine

Outbreaks

- Outbreaks of vaccine preventable diseases will be dealt with according to the policy for responding to children who are ill.
- All parents of children and staff will be informed promptly of an outbreak.
- Parents of children particularly vulnerable to infection will be informed individually and promptly of an outbreak so they can take appropriate medical advice.

Useful Resources and Websites

- NHS Choices website at www.nhs.uk
- Public Health England. September 2017 [Health protection in schools and other childcare facilities](#)

Appendix A: National Immunisation Schedule

To view the complete routine immunisation schedule, please visit:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/the-complete-routine-immunisation-schedule>

Appendix B: Key Contacts

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