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Dear Year 7 Pupil and Parent/Legal Guardian,

Re: Solihull School Nursing Service

Your School Nurse is a member of the Solihull School Nursing South Team. She is a qualified nurse employed by South Warwickshire NHS Foundation Trust. The School Nurse is regularly in school, offering confidential drop in/ appointment sessions for pupils to access. Pupils can request to see the School Nurse about any concerns regarding their health and well-being.

Due to covid 19 and current restrictions appointments will be offered virtually, or **young people aged 11 years and over**, can contact the School Nurse via our **confidential texting service** Chat Health on **07520 615 730**.

The Department of Health recommends that pupils in year nine receive a health review by the School Nursing Team. In order to achieve this, your child will have the opportunity to complete a simple online questionnaire about their general, physical and emotional health and wellbeing. We will send you further information nearer the time.

In England, since September 2019, all boys and girls have both routinely been offered the first human papillomavirus (HPV) vaccination when they're in year 8 at school. The second dose is usually offered 6-12 months after the first.

When your child is 14 years of age, they will be due a diphtheria, tetanus and polio vaccination and Meningitis C (school leaver's booster) which is available from the immunisation team in school.

Further information is available from the School Nurse immunisation Team on 0121 466 3460 or www.bhamcommunity.nhs.uk/imms

It is advisable for pupils to have a routine vision test at the Opticians at this time. This is freely available on the NHS at most Opticians.

The School Nurse will respect the confidentiality of any young person, unless the young person maybe at risk of significant harm.

Due to Covid-19 and current restrictions in place we have been unable to meet you at the new parents meetings in school to introduce the Service. However, you can contact us by phone on the above number, or via our confidential **text messaging service, parent line – 07480 635 496**, to discuss any concerns or worries you have regarding your child's health and wellbeing and we can offer support via either a virtual contact or telephone call. You can also visit <https://www.healthforteens.co.uk/solihull/> which has lots of useful information on various topics.

Finally all of us at Solihull School Nursing we wish you and your child well during this difficult time with Covid-19 and look forward to meeting you when safe to do so. In the event of your child becoming unwell, please contact your GP, phone 111 or attend A&E department

Yours sincerely,

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