IMMUNISATIONS

IMMUNISATION DAY FOR YEAR 8 STUDENTS

The SA School Based Immunisation Program will be offered at your school by City of Onkaparinga.

Immunisation consent cards will be sent home with students. It is important you read the information provided with the consent card before you provide consent, so that you understand the facts about the vaccines that will be offered and the diseases that these vaccines protect against. If you have any questions about this program, please contact the City of Onkaparinga on 8384 0666 or the Immunisation Section, SA Health Monday – Friday, 8.30am – 5pm phone 1300 232 272.

All Year 8 students will be offered:

1 dose of Varicella (chickenpox) vaccine. Please Note: A single dose of chickenpox vaccine is recommended for students less than 14 years of age. If the student is 14 years of age or older, a second dose is recommended 4 weeks after the first dose to receive adequate protection. This second dose is not free and is available at a cost from your Doctor or Council immunisation clinic.

A full course (3 doses) of human papillomavirus vaccine Gardasil. These vaccines will be offered over 3 separate visits.

1 dose of Boostrix vaccine – diphtheria, tetanus, pertussis (whooping cough)

If you do not receive an immunisation Consent Card from your child by the end of week 3, please ask at the school office.

Parents / legal guardians should complete, sign and return the Consent Cards, even if the student will not be vaccinated at school.

If your child is not vaccinated at school, please contact City of Onkaparinga on 8384 0666 and arrange for a free ‘catch-up’ dose. If you go to your doctor for the vaccination, they may not have the vaccine(s) in stock and there may be a consultation fee.

REMEMBER:

Keep School Immunisation Program records in a safe place as they may be required for future employment or travel.