The Eastwood Academy

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19th November 2021

Re: Covid-19 Vaccine Update

Dear Parent,

Further to my letter dated 4th November, the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA) has recently updated its clinical guidance to recommend that 12-17-year olds (who are not in a high risk group) should wait **12 weeks** after a positive Covid-19 test before getting their first (or second if aged 16-17) vaccine dose. This is a change from previous advice that vaccination should be deferred for around **4 weeks** after a confirmed infection.

The online booking system is open for 12-15-year olds to have their vaccination at the **Southend Civic Centre Vaccination Site** if they missed the opportunity to have it at school. Please refer to the NHS Website to book an appointment.

If you have questions or concerns about the Covid-19 vaccine, please contact Essex Partnership University NHS Foundation Trust (EPUT) on **0300 790 0597**.

Yours sincerely,

Mr. N. Houchen
Principal