



World Immunisation Week

24th - 30th April 2026

This year's theme for world immunisation week is **"For every generation, vaccines work"**

This year's theme aims to promote how vaccines have protected people, families, and communities for many generations.

The World Health Organization (WHO) launched World Immunisation Week to raise public awareness of the need of immunisation and to encourage the widespread use of vaccines.

The campaign encourages nations to improve their immunisation programs, ensure that everyone has access to vaccines, and address concerns like vaccine hesitancy.

It provides a platform for both celebrating the successes of vaccination and acknowledging the work that must be done to guarantee that everyone, everywhere, may take advantage of the life-saving potential of vaccines.

What you can do during World Immunisation Week:

- Check your immunisations and see if you are due any boosters or catch-up doses
- Encourage family members to do the same, especially children, older relatives and anyone at higher health risk.

Vaccines are available to prevent life-threatening diseases, helping people live longer, healthier lives. They reduce risks of getting a disease by working with your body's natural defences to build protection. When you get a vaccine, your immune system responds.

Useful websites:

<https://www.nhs.uk/vaccinations>

[World Health Organization \(WHO\)](#)

[School Vaccinations UK](#)

11-19 years old? Young people in Hounslow can text a School Nurse on **07507 333 176** for confidential advice and support.



Receive an answer within one working day from a qualified School Nurse
(Monday to Friday 9.00am-4.30pm)

Parents and carers in Hounslow can text a School Nurse on **07312 263 080** for confidential advice and support for their child or teenager.



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