Dear Principal,

The Department has been asked by the HSE to disseminate the information below to schools for onward communication to parents/guardians.

**COVID-19 vaccine information for parents of children aged 5-11**

The HSE has published detailed information and guidance for parents about COVID-19 vaccines for children aged 5-11. This aims to help parents and guardians of 5-11 year old children make an informed decision when it’s time for their child to be offered a COVID-19 vaccine.

Registration for the vaccine will open shortly, with priority being placed on children who are more at risk from COVID-19 or children who have a high-risk person in the family. Parents and guardians can read this information on <https://www2.hse.ie/screening-and-vaccinations/covid-19-vaccine/get-the-vaccine/covid-19-vaccination-for-children/>  or they can download these information booklets from HSE.ie.

[Important information for parents and guardians about the COVID-19 vaccine for children aged 5-11 (Comirnaty, Pfizer/BioNTech) (PDF, size 1.11 MB, 16 pages)](https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/covid-19-resources-and-translations/covid-19-vaccine-materials/important-information-for-parents-and-guardians-about-the-covid-19-vaccine-for-children-aged-5-11.pdf)

[Important information for parents and guardians about the COVID-19 vaccine for children aged 5-11 (Irish) (PDF, 1.7 MB, 16 pages)](https://www.hse.ie/eng/services/news/newsfeatures/covid19-updates/covid-19-vaccine-materials/important-information-parents-guardians-about-covid-19-vaccine-children-aged-5-11-irish.pdf)

Kind regards,

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