

# D.A.V. PUBLIC SCHOOL, SECTOR 49, UPPAL'S SOUTHEND, GURUGRAM

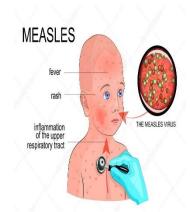
### HEALTH BULLETIN-March & April - 2018 FROM THE DOCTOR'S DESK

Dear students, Congratulations and welcome to new grades!!!

After the successful Deworming camp, Ministry of health and family welfare, Government of India in association with World Health Organization is conducting the Measles -Rubella Vaccination Campaign, as a part of a strategy to eliminate Measles and Control Rubella in the country.

This health bulletin will focus on the importance and need of **Measles -Rubella Vaccination in children.** 

**Measles -** Measles is a highly infectious disease caused by a virus and spreads by contact with an infected person through coughing and sneezing. Nearly 49,000 children die from measles annually, making it one of the leading causes of child deaths in India. Measles is characterized by high fever, rash that spreads over the body, cough, running nose and red watery eyes. It weakens the immune system and can often lead to serious complication like blindness, severe diarrhea, encephalitis and pneumonia.



**Rubella -** Rubella is an infectious yet mild viral illness affecting both children and adults .Infection with Rubella is followed by rash and low fever ,may also be associated with swelling of lymph nodes and joint pain. Rubella infection during pregnancy may have serious consequences causing miscarriages, stillbirths or severe birth defects known as Congenital Rubella Syndrome (CRS) in new born.



#### **RUBELLA CAN CAUSE**







As a part of this campaign, all children aged between 9 months to 15 years will be provided an additional dose of MR vaccine, regardless of any previous vaccination, at school premises.



## MR vaccination campaign: KEY FACTS

- Age group between 9 months and less than 15 years.
- Both boys and girls will be vaccinated.
- One dose campaign, irrespective of previous immunization status. Dose; 0.5ml, subcutaneous route using auto- disposable syringe. The syringe and needle will be destroyed after single use and new one will be used for each child.
- · Vaccination will be conducted in our school premises.
- Vaccine is absolutely safe and will be provided by trained vaccinators.
- The date of vaccination will be informed in advance and the details will be available on website.



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