# Information and offer of vaccination against Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR)

## To the parent/guardian

At the age of 18 months, all children are offered vaccination against Measles, Mumps and Rubella (MMR) at a child health care centre. School Health Services can now offer the second vaccination to give complete protection. The vaccines against the three diseases are given in one injection. This vaccination is included in The National Board of Health and Welfare’s child immunisation programme.

As a guardian you may accompany your child for vaccination. If you need, contact me to discuss this further.

The date and time of the vaccination will be sent to you later.

## Are there any side effects of the vaccination?

The vaccination is given in the upper arm and can cause redness, swelling and pain at the site of injection. A Measle-like rash and fever (38.5°C or higher) can occur one to two weeks after vaccination; however, your child will not be infectious. The reason for this is that the body is reacting to the vaccination and the symptoms usually pass in a couple of days. In the event of prolonged fever or rash, or if your child is in any way affected by the vaccination, you should contact your local health care provider.

## When should you postpone vaccination?

If your child has a fever, your child should not be vaccinated; however, a common cold without fever presents no problem.   
Contact the School Nurse if your child has a serious or long-term illness, severe allergy, if they have reacted to previous vaccinations or are going to get other vaccination within four weeks before or after the planned MMR vaccination.

If you have any further questions, please contact me.

With regards

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According to the law (2012:453) for the National Immunisation Programme, all vaccinations under the child immunisation programme are reported to the national vaccination register. You can read more on the vaccination register at [www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se](http://www.folkhalsomyndigheten.se)