

Self Care Awards



Case Study: Joint award—Wrenbury Primary School and Wrenbury GP Practice

Wrenbury Primary School have linked up with Wrenbury GP Practice and Wrenbury Nursing Home to help them achieve their NHS South Cheshire CCG Silver Self Care Award through their **'Immunisation and why we have it'** project.

The Year 4 children visited the GP Practice in groups to speak to the GP and staff, hearing why they give vaccinations, the history of immunisation and all became 'Vaccine Heroes'. They were able to get real stories of life pre-vaccination from some of the residents of the local nursing home who described in their own words what they remembered about growing up and if they remembered having their first vaccinations.

Practice Manager, Becky Barber said "We are incredibly proud of how some of the youngest and oldest members of our community have come together to share and learn about the important issue of immunisations. The photographs and memories shared by the residents from WNH really did resonate with us as a practice team, they also made the learning for the children much more real .

The children's game of tag to illustrate what they learnt about Herd Immunity was so simple but so effective!"

The school followed their immunisation activity up by having promoting the work to parents and grandparents at their Summer term Sharing Afternoon. Year 4 also led an assembly at the school, sharing the information around the importance of immunisation with the whole school.

Mrs Bessa Cador (Head-teacher) "It has been a really worthwhile and enlightening project to be part of, in collaboration with the doctor's surgery and our resident friends at the Nursing Home. Understanding why immunisation matters; hearing and reading first-hand accounts from the residents and then letting the children take the lead in school on this serious health issue not only raises awareness but also highlights the importance of vaccinations in a more meaningful way for the rest of the pupils and our school community."

NHS South Cheshire CCG have awarded their first joint Silver Self Care Award to Wrenbury Primary School and Wrenbury GP Practice – Noreen Caldwell, Public Engagement and Involvement Manager at the CCG, said: "I am thrilled by the way that the whole community have come together providing information around the history of vaccinations and their importance."

The school and GP Practice have successfully achieved their Bronze Self Care Awards.

