

# PARENT CONNECTION

# WHY VACCINATE YOUR CHILDREN?

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As a parent, you may not like seeing your baby or child being given an injection. However, vaccination is an important step in protecting your child against a range of serious and potentially fatal diseases.

Vaccinations are quick, safe and extremely effective. Once your child has been vaccinated against a disease, their body can fight it more effectively. If a child isn't vaccinated, they will have an increased risk of catching the illness.

There will always be some children who are unavoidably unprotected because:

- they can't be vaccinated for medical reasons
- they're too young to be vaccinated
- they can't get to the vaccine services
- the vaccine doesn't work (although this is rare)

However, if more parents have their children vaccinated, then more children in the community will be protected against an illness. This lowers the chance of an disease outbreak.

The only time that it's safe to stop vaccinating children against an illness is when the disease has been wiped out worldwide.

For more information please visit:

http://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/pages/reasons-to-have-your-child-vaccinated.aspx

Another must read article:

http://www.motherjones.com/environment/2015/02/open-letter-parent-unvaccinated-child-measles-exposure



#### SNOOPY THE EASTER BEAGLE IS COMING TO KINGSTON APRIL

**4TH.** TRAINS DEPART FROM KINGSTON PLAZA AT 10:30AM, 12:00PM, 1:30PM, 3:00PM.

For tickets visit: www.catskillmtrailroad.com

### **THINK SPRING**

#### **SPRING TIME BOOKS**

My Spring Robin Anne Rockwell, Harlow Rockwell, & Lizzy Rockwell

> Planting a Rainbow Lois Ehlert

*It's Spring!* Samantha Berger

The Listening Walk
Paul Showers and Aliki

Listen to the Rain Bill Martin Jr., John Archambault, & James Endicott



The Tiny Seed Eric Carle

*Mossy* Jan Brett

*Spring is Here* Will Hillenbrand



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