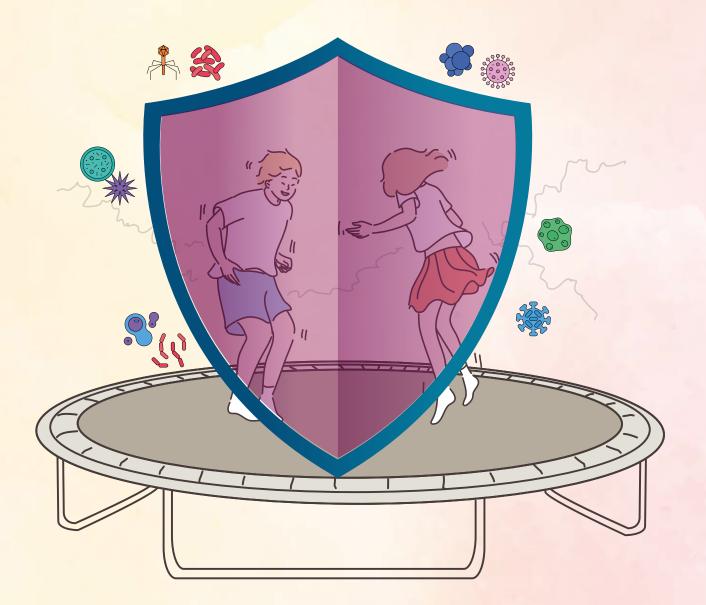






#### **Boost** Children's Immunity





The Health Promotion Department of the Supreme Council for Family Affairs has launched a series of awareness and educating publications in light of Covid 19 targetting students, parents, administrative and teaching staff which included tips and measurements to prevent the spread of Covid 19 virus



Boost Children's Immunity prepared and produced by Health Promotion Department in Supreme Council for Family Affairs in Sharjah In cooperation with Sharjah Private Education Authority







# Food to strengthen children's immunity



### Yogurt

Yogurt contains probiotics, which are nutritional supplements that contain beneficial bacteria that improve the functioning of the digestive system and also improve the functioning of the immune system and resistance to diseases.





# Fruits and

## vegetables

Fruits and vegetables are among the most important foods that help in strengthening the immune system of children, providing the child's body with vitamins and antioxidants and Protecting them against diseases.

Examples: cranberries, strawberries, broccoli and sweet potatoes







### Tips to strengthen children's immunity



#### **1. Maintain a healthy sleep for your children**



Not getting enough sleep negatively affects the immune system; it reduces the immune system's effectiveness at fighting microbes and cancer cells.

Infants need 16 hours of sleep, and pre-school children need 10 to 13 hours of healthy sleep.





#### 2. Breastfeeding

Breast milk contains natural anti-inflammatories to fight many diseases and strengthen children's immunity.

Some studies have found breast milk to increase health and mental strength, helping to protect against type 2 diabetes, against Crohn's disease and reducing the risk of developing cancer in the future.



#### **3. Exercise**

Your child should be encouraged to play the sport they love, because regular exercise supports the immune system and protects against diseases.



# 4. Limit the use of antibiotics

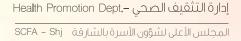
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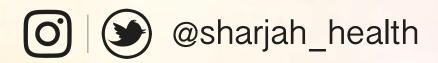












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