



Community Children's
Health Partnership



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Dear Parent/Carer

Flu School Immunisation Programme

This autumn, we are offering all children from Reception - Year 11 a flu vaccine as part of the School Immunisation Programme. This letter explains why children are being offered this vaccine and explains how to let us know whether or not you would like your child to be vaccinated.

Children are being offered the vaccinations to protect them from flu, minimise the circulation of the virus this winter and to reduce disruption to their education, and the potential impact on the NHS. The vaccinations will be given by Sirona care & health, who run all the School Immunisation Programmes in our area and have a lot of experience vaccinating children.

The flu vaccination programme already includes all children from Reception to Year 7 and is being extended this year to include school Years 8 to 11.

The flu vaccine is administered using a nasal spray.

Please complete the consent form below, indicating whether or not you wish your child to have the vaccine. If you don't have access to the internet, you can request a paper copy from your child's school.

Link to the nasal flu consent form:

<https://imms.sirona-cic.org.uk/flu/2021/consent>

Please complete the form by midnight on Saturday 30th October. If we do not receive your completed consent forms we may contact you in order to discuss your wishes for your child.

For more information about the Nasal Flu vaccination programme for secondary age children, please visit [Protect yourself against flu – information for those in school years 7 to 11 - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flu-vaccination-leaflets-and-posters/protect-yourself-against-flu-information-for-those-in-school-years-7-to-11) and for the primary age group please see <https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/flu-vaccination-leaflets-and-posters/protect-yourself-against-flu-information-for-parents-and-carers-of-preschool-and-primary-school-aged-children>

Please ensure you complete the consent form

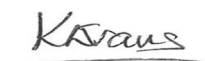
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If your child is not able to attend school on the day of the Immunisation Clinic they can attend a catch-up clinic at a later date. Your school will send out information about these clinics at a later date.

In the meantime, if you have any questions please contact the School Immunisation Team on 01275 373104 or email sirona.sch-imms@nhs.net

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'K Evans', with a horizontal line underneath.

Karen Evans
Head of Specialist Services for Children