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Dear Parent/Carer,

IMPORTANT INFORMATION
Flu vaccination programme

In line with NHS England and Public Health England requirements, the nasal flu programme has been extended to include children in school from Reception up to, and including, Year 13 in SEND Schools.

As children, young people and families mix and contact returns towards levels that existed before the pandemic, it is expected that this winter 2021/2022 will be the first time in the UK where flu will circulate alongside other respiratory viruses and COVID-19. It is therefore more important than ever to protect those at risk, prevent ill-health and minimise further impact on the NHS and social care.

The Hertfordshire and East Anglia School Aged Immunisation Service will be delivering the flu programme in schools from October 2021 through to mid December 2021. The vaccination is free and is given as a quick, painless spray up the nose. If you'd prefer your child to have the non-porcine (pork) flu vaccination, which is delivered as an injection, you can select this option when completing the on-line consent form via the link below.

You must complete the on-line form to accept or decline this vaccination.

Please note the form will not work on some mobile phones and tablets. For alternative consent options please telephone 0300 555 5055.

Please click on this link [Immunisation Form](#) and complete the form.
You will need this unique code number **EE138271** which identifies your child's school.

The electronic link will close at Noon on Thu, 14 Oct 2021

It is important for you to discuss and complete the consent form with your child. For further information about vaccines, click [here](#)

Please do not hesitate to contact the Immunisation Team on the above number if you have any questions about the flu immunisation.

Yours sincerely,

Community and School Aged Immunisations Service

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