



**Hounslow and Richmond
Community Healthcare**
NHS Trust

Richmond and Kingston
School Age Immunisation team
Centre House
68 Sheen Lane
SW14 8LP

Date: 1st September 2022

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's flu vaccination is now due.

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. There may be a rebound in flu levels this coming winter following low levels in the past 2 years as a result of COVID-19 restrictions.

Please complete an online consent form via this link: (one for each child)

<https://sav.hrch.nhs.uk/flu/2022/kingston>

SCHOOL SESSION DATE: 29/11/2022

LINK WILL CLOSE: 24/11/2022

Please complete by **24/11/2022** to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple, and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, the type of flu can vary each winter, so it is recommended to have it again this year or they won't be protected.

A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme can be accessed here: [link to Flu leaflet](#) and includes details about the small number of children for whom the nasal vaccine is not appropriate.

Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation.

If you have any queries, please contact the Immunisation Team on Phone/Email:

Kingston Schools: HRCH.ImmunisationTeamKingstonMailbox@nhs.net

Tel: 0203 691 1027 / 1043

Yours sincerely,

Melanie Stewart, Immunisation team lead

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you return this form, please contact the immunisation nurses on 0203 691 1027.

If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please return the consent form giving the reason. This will help us plan and improve the service.

For further information see: www.nhs.uk/child-flu

Alternatively, please scan the QR code below using your smartphone camera to direct you to the consent form website.

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