

Dear Parent/Guardian,

Your child's nasal spray flu vaccine is due - online consent

The children's nasal spray flu vaccine is safe and effective. It's offered every year to children to help protect them against [flu](#).

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Children can catch and spread flu easily. Vaccinating your child also protects vulnerable family members and friends. This winter there may be a rebound in flu levels, following low levels during the past 2 years because of pandemic restrictions.

The vaccination is free and is a quick, simple, and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had the vaccine last year, types of flu can vary, so it is recommended to have it annually to maximise protection. Since the vaccine programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have been immunised annually.

To consent to your child having the nasal spray flu vaccine please complete the easy-to-use e-consent form via the link below, using the code for your child's school.

[Link to E-consent form](#)

School Castleway

Code WC105002

Vaccination session date is: Wednesday 19th October.

For more information about the nasal spray flu vaccine please read the online leaflet: [Protecting your child against flu](#). This leaflet includes information about the small number of children for whom the nasal spray vaccine is not appropriate for. Further information can also be found on the [NHS website](#).

If your child has a serious underlying health condition, please contact the School Age Immunisation Team to book an earlier clinic appointment. Or, if your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you complete the e-consent form, please also contact the team on 0151 514 2510.

If you decide you do not want to vaccinate your child against flu, please complete the e-consent form stating the reason - this will help us plan and improve our service.

Yours sincerely,

School Age Immunisation Team



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