

Dear Parent/Carer,

Please find a message below from the immunisations team regarding the flu vaccination.

Your child's flu vaccination is due after the summer break.

How to respond

Please complete the consent form using the link below, whether you wish to accept or decline the vaccination for your child. Please use **the year group they were in last academic year**. For example, if your child has just finished Year 7 in July please record them as being in Year 7 as the system automatically updates them in September to the new year group.

<https://www.bswschoolagedimms.co.uk//Forms/Flu?schoolcode=WTI38623>

It will take less than 5 minutes to complete.

If we do not receive a response, you will continue to receive reminder messages. Your child will not be vaccinated unless we receive a response from a parent or carer.

The vaccine protects against flu, which can cause serious health problems such as bronchitis and pneumonia. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

[Find out more about the children's flu vaccine on NHS.UK](#)

You can also find a range of [information resources about the vaccine on GOV.UK](#), including in other languages.

How the vaccine is given

Most children are given the vaccine as a nasal spray. This is a quick and painless spray up the nose and offers the best protection against flu.

The nasal spray contains a small amount of gelatine derived from pigs (porcine gelatine). If your child does not use gelatine products, or cannot have the nasal spray for medical reasons, you can choose an alternative injected vaccine that has no gelatine or any other animal product. You can request this in the consent form.

[Find out more about the use of gelatine in the flu vaccine \(including the views of faith communities\)](#)

Most children will be vaccinated in school

- Children receiving the nasal spray vaccine will be vaccinated in school.
- Secondary school students who need the injected vaccine will also receive this in school.
- Primary school children whose parents choose the injected vaccination will be offered a clinic appointment.
- Where the school setting is not appropriate, vaccination can be offered in a community clinic venue.

Your data

By responding, you're agreeing to your data being processed as set out in our [privacy notice](#)

If you have any queries or would like support to complete the form or to provide a verbal response, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Team on **0300 247 0082** or email us using vcl.immunisations@nhs.net

Yours sincerely,

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Please give us your feedback using our Service User Survey

at: www.hcrhcaregroup.com/feedback/friends-and-family-test/ using Code BX189

Information and resources to support your child to have their vaccination, can be found at: <https://wiltshirechildrensservices.co.uk/services/school-age-immunisations/>



The banner features a red background with white and yellow text. On the left is a QR code with the text 'UK Health Security Agency' below it. To the right of the QR code, the text reads: 'Measles is circulating', 'Have you had your 2 doses of MMR?', and 'Check now, and get up to date with your routine vaccinations'. On the far right is the NHS logo and a decorative pattern of red and yellow circles.

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