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2025 -2026 Flu Vaccination Programme

Dear Parent/Carer

In line with NHS England and UK Health Security Agency requirements, the seasonal flu vaccination programme will be offered to all children in **mainstream** schools from reception to year 11, and in **SEND** schools for year groups reception to year 13.

It is expected that this year flu will be circulating alongside other respiratory viruses and COVID-19. It is therefore important to protect those at risk, prevent ill-health and minimise further impact on the NHS and social care.

The flu programme will be delivered in schools during the autumn term of 2025. The vaccination is free and is available in two forms.



A Nasal Spray which is given as a quick painless spray up the nose. This vaccine is the **most effective** version of the flu vaccination. The nasal spray uses **porcine (pork) gelatine** during the manufacturing process. **Once produced no porcine DNA is detected.**



The alternative vaccination is the **Injectable Flu vaccine**. This vaccine offers **good protection**, but it is not as effective as the nasal spray. If you would prefer your child to have the **porcine free (pork free)** flu vaccination, you can select this vaccine on the consent form.






Please complete the attached forms. **Tick YES to accept or NO to decline this vaccination, sign the form** and return to school. Please only tick **ONE** box.

Please contact the team on 0300 555 5055 option 2 if you have difficulty completing the consent form

Kind Regards

Norfolk Immunisation Team

Useful Links

NHS Flu vaccination information	https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/	
NHS vaccination information	https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations	
Patient Information Leaflets		
Nasal Flu Vaccine 	https:// www.medicines.org.uk/emc/files/pil.3296.pdf	
Injectable Flu Vaccine 	https://www.medicines.org.uk/emc/files/pil.12882.pdf	