



**Hounslow and Richmond  
Community Healthcare**  
NHS Trust

Richmond and Kingston  
School Age Immunisation team  
Centre House  
68 Sheen Lane  
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Date: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2020

Dear Parent/Guardian,

**Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due**

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu.

**Please complete the enclosed consent form** (one for each child) **and return to the school by 15<sup>th</sup> September 2020** to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

The vaccination is free and is a quick and simple spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, it is recommended to have the flu vaccine again this year.

A leaflet explaining the vaccination programme is enclosed 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 relevant immunisation team below

Kingston Schools: [HRCH.ImmunisationTeamKingstonMailbox@nhs.net](mailto:HRCH.ImmunisationTeamKingstonMailbox@nhs.net) Tel: 0203 691 1027

Richmond Schools: [HRCH.ImmunisationTeamMailbox@nhs.net](mailto:HRCH.ImmunisationTeamMailbox@nhs.net) Tel: 0203 691 1042

Yours sincerely,

Heidi Nielsen, Team Lead for Kingston and Richmond School Immunisations

**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 inform the immunisation team and your child's school.**

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](http://www.nhs.uk/child-flu)