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Dear Parent/Guardian

The annual flu vaccination programme will run between September and December 2022. The Immunisation Team will be visiting your child's school to administer the nasal flu vaccine. You will be notified of the session date by your school in due course.

Flu can be an unpleasant illness and sometimes causes serious complications. This annual vaccination programme is in place to help protect your child against the flu. Vaccinating healthy children also helps to protect those more vulnerable by reducing the spread and transmission of flu.

The vaccine is recommended by the UK Health Security Agency and forms part of the routine immunisation schedule for all children. It is given via a quick and simple spray up the nose. Please visit the following link for more information regarding the vaccine:

<https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/vaccinations/child-flu-vaccine/>

Please click on the link below to submit a consent form, ensuring you complete this in a timely manner to guarantee your child is vaccinated at their school. If you do not wish for your child to receive the vaccination, complete the consent form ticking the 'no consent' box, otherwise we may contact you until you complete a consent form.

<https://croydonhc-vaccination.verseonecloud.com/nasal-flu-vaccination-2>

Your child's school will notify you of the date on which we are attending their school.  
If you wish to change your mind once you have submitted a consent form, please inform the school.

**Any changes regarding your consent or health of your child must be communicated to your child's school by 09:00am on the day of vaccination.**

Yours sincerely

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\*Please note: the consent form must be completed by the person with parental responsibility for your child. For Looked After Children, the consent form must be completed by the child's Social Worker

\*\* Asthmatic children who are eligible to receive the nasal flu vaccine should do so. Please note that the vaccine should not be administered to asthmatic children who have received oral steroids within the two weeks prior to the session, exhibited wheezing in the three days prior to the session, or has been admitted to intensive care due to an asthmatic attack.