

**School Aged Immunisation Service
0-19 Starting Well Service
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St Bernard's Nursery
St Bernard's RC Primary School

Dear Parent/Carer,

Your child's annual flu vaccination will be due in the autumn term.

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

All children aged two and three on the 31st August 2023 will be eligible for a free flu vaccination.

The vaccination is a quick, simple and painless spray up the nose. Even if your child had it last year, the type of flu can vary each winter so it is recommended to have the flu vaccine again this year or they won't be protected.

Please see the leaflet containing information about the vaccination attached to the email you will have received from your child's nursery/preschool, along with this letter.

Please click on the link below to complete a consent form (one for each child) on our website. Please submit this as soon as possible to ensure your child receives their vaccination.

The nasal flu vaccination programme for your child's school, **St Bernard's Nursery**, is scheduled for:

FRIDAY 10TH NOVEMBER

Your child's setting, **St Bernard's Nursery**, has a unique code that you will be prompted to input into the system. The setting code is:

CP140896

Please submit consent here <https://www.cwpstartingwellimms.co.uk/Forms/Flu> by 12 NOON WEDNESDAY 8TH NOVEMBER to ensure that your child receives the vaccination.

Please contact the school aged immunisation team if after completing your child's form you attend the GP for their flu vaccination or you wish to amend their form.

It is important that you complete a consent form online before the deadline, otherwise your child will not be called for their vaccination.

Since the programme was introduced, most children offered the vaccine in schools have had the immunisation.

If you are unable to complete the consent form online, have any queries, or need further support, please contact the team using the details given at the top of this letter.

Please remember it's important to ensure your child has received two doses of MMR and their other routine immunisations to ensure they are fully protected against vaccine preventable diseases.

Yours sincerely,

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If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad asthma attack or has started oral steroids for their asthma after you return this form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service on 01244 397470.

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