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Dear families

Your child is now eligible for their Flu vaccination, as part of the National Programme for Vaccination. Please click the following link to complete an E-Consent form for your child to receive this vaccination:

www.bradfordschoolimmunisations.co.uk/forms/Flu - The code for your child's school is **BF137277**

The online consent form link will close 3 working days before your school's session date.

Here is a link to a website with guidance on preventing and managing infections:

[Health protection in children and young people settings, including education - GOV.UK \(www.gov.uk\)](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/health-protection-in-children-and-young-people-settings-including-education)

Why get your child vaccinated?

It helps keep your child safe from flu. Flu can be a nasty illness and sometimes causes serious problems such as a chest infection which can develop into pneumonia. It is a quick and simple nose spray. Giving your child the flu spray will stop the spread. This will help keep friends and family safe. Older people and those with illnesses are most at risk if they catch flu from children. The flu vaccination is free for your child. Flu viruses change, so even if they had it last year, they need it again this year. www.nhs.uk/child-flu has more information and tells you which children need the flu jab instead of the nose spray.

The nasal spray contains porcine / pork gelatine, is there an alternative? - Yes, we offer a flu injectable vaccine that DOES NOT contain pork gelatine (otherwise known as porcine gelatine). To consent to flu injectable, click no to the nasal flu vaccine and you will be given further options.

Please complete the E-consent form as soon as you can to ensure your child gets vaccinated. Even if you do not want your child to be vaccinated, please complete the form to let us know. We are due to visit your child's school on **Thursday 28th September**, access to the link will close 3 days before the session.

What if my child is absent?

If your child is away from school on the day, please contact us to book a clinic appointment. This vaccine is not offered by your GP unless your child is in an at-risk group.

If your child becomes wheezy, has a bad attack of asthma, or has started steroid tablets for asthma after you return this form, please contact the School Aged Immunisation Service. If your child has this vaccination anywhere else, let the team know to stop them getting it again.

Call us on **01274 221269** if you have any problems or questions. The team will be happy to help.

Yours sincerely,

School Aged Immunisation Service

