

31st October 2022

Dear Parent/ Carer,

Your child's annual flu vaccination is now due

The flu vaccine will help stop your child getting the flu. Flu can be a very unpleasant illness for children. It can lead to serious problems such as pneumonia (lung infection). Children can catch and spread flu easily. Vaccinating your child also protects others who are vulnerable to flu, such as babies and older people.

The flu vaccine for children is free. It is given every year by a quick and simple spray up the nose. It is recommended for children of primary school age.

Please complete the paper consent form from school and return it to school or complete the online form at <u>https://econsent.merseycare.nhs.uk/</u> so that your child can have the spray in school.

If you have any questions, you can contact the school immunisation service directly on 0151-295-3833.

Thank you

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