

October 2023

Dear parent/carers

Flu Vaccination – November 28th, 2023

Birmingham & Solihull schools Flu Vaccination Programme is due to commence during the Autumn Term and will be visiting our school on **Tuesday 28th November 2023**.

Consent forms will be delivered to tutors in advance of the session date. If you do not receive a form before Friday 13th October, please contact us by email on enquiry@arthurterry.bham.sch.uk A downloadable copy is attached if needed.

Also attached you will find literature regarding the Flu Jab that you may find useful, if you or any parents have any queries or concerns, please get in touch with the Immunisation Team on the number below.

This programme helps protect children against flu, which can be very unpleasant and lead to complications like bronchitis and pneumonia. The flu vaccine not only helps to prevent the transmission of flu to the wider community, including older family members and new-born babies who may have a weaker immune system, but research by Public Health England has shown that the flu vaccine programme has reduced the number of people visiting their GP or emergency departments with flu. Research has also showed that vaccinating school aged children reduces pupil and staff absences.

This year the service can offer the option of the non-porcine injection vaccination for those families who decline the nasal flu vaccination due to the porcine gelatine contents. This non porcine gelatine vaccination is available at our community clinics which will be running throughout the flu season.

Families can book a clinic appointment or speak to a member of the team by calling 0121 466 3410 or by email at bchnt.birminghamimms@nhs.net

Yours faithfully

The Arthur Terry School on behalf of
Immunisation Team / Birmingham Community Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust