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Dear Reception to Year 6 Parent/Guardian,

The annual flu vaccination programme will run between October and December 2019. The Immunisation Team will be visiting **Monks Orchard School** on **Thursday 14th November 2019** to administer the nasal flu vaccine.

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 Public Health England and forms part of the routine immunisation schedule for all young children in Reception to school Year 6. It is given via a quick and simple spray up the nose. Please visit the following link for more information regarding the vaccine:

https://assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/806857/PHE_Protecting_Child_Against_Flu_leaflet.pdf

Your child's school is utilising an online digital consent programme. The school's unique identification code is **146225** Please access and complete the consent form, indicating whether you do or do not consent to vaccination, via the following link:

<https://awi.croydonhealth.nhs.uk/ChildFluVaccinationForm/Form1/#!/Page1>

Online submission must be received by **Monday 11th November 2019**. Please be aware that the consent form should 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. **Any changes regarding consent or the health of your child must be communicated to your school by 9am on the day of vaccination.**

Yours sincerely

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