



# Highfield Primary School

**Week Ending 4th October 2024**

## **Attendance and Punctuality**

Each week we celebrate the two classes with the best attendance for that week – One from EYFS/KS1 and one from KS2. CONGRATULATIONS **2S (with 99%)** to and to **3J (also with 99%)** for their great attendance this week. These classes will receive our 'Attendance Bears' to look after for the week.

Well done to the following classes for their excellent punctuality (least amount of lates). CONGRATULATIONS to **RJ (with 0 lates)** and to **3J (also with 0 lates)** this week. These classes will receive our 'Early Birds' to look after for the week.

## **Parent Contribution Scheme**

Mr Wilson sent out a letter asking for parent contributions to help purchase school resources. As I am sure you are all aware, schools' financial positions are currently very challenging. We are very grateful for those of you who have already contributed. If you are able to contribute, but have not already, please read the letter below.

## **Flu Vaccine**

Please find attached the E-Consent letter for your child's Flu Vaccination for this coming Winter. Please note that you can consent for either the Flu Nasal Spray, **OR** the Non-Gelatin IM Flu Vaccine. Please make sure you complete the form online as soon as you can. The portal will close 48 hours ahead of the Flu session. Flu can be very unpleasant for children and can sometimes cause serious problems, such as pneumonia. Children can catch and spread flu easily. Vaccinating them also helps protect others who are at higher risk of getting seriously ill from flu, such as babies and older people. The School Immunisation team will be coming into the school to deliver the vaccine. Please be aware that children can NOT receive this vaccination with their GP unless they are clinically vulnerable. Some parents have reported that they cannot find their child's school on the consent link. If this is the case, please use this link: <https://ncl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/enfield>

## **Write a Story You Would Love to Read**

BBC's 500 Words, the UK's largest children's Writing Competition for children aged 5-11, is open for entries now! Submit entries before the Competition closes at 9pm on Friday 8 November 2024. See [500 Words](#).

## **Proposed Library Closures in Enfield**

Enfield local authority are currently proposing to close 8 of the borough's 16 Libraries. This includes Winchmore Hill Library and they are currently consulting on this proposal. Please find attached the link to further information and the consultation document. <https://www.enfield.gov.uk/consultations/library-consultation>

## **Reminder - No Toys/Games/Pencil Cases**

Children are not allowed to bring toys/games/pencil cases/jewellery etc into school. They are distracting during lessons and can easily get mislaid. Please note that this also includes football and other trading cards.

## **Supporting Your Reception Child in Maths**

At 2:30pm on Friday 8th November, Ms Johnson, our Maths Lead, will be delivering a Workshop for Parents/Carers on how to support your **Reception** child at home in Maths. Please join us for this.

## **WRM Digital Tools**

To access these tools visit [Digital tools | Maths Tools for Teachers | White Rose Education](#) and enter the code for this week:

Have a wonderful weekend,

Mrs Morton and Mrs Calder



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## Parent Contribution Scheme

Dear Parents/Carers,

I hope this letter finds you well. As part of our ongoing commitment to providing an excellent education at Highfield School amidst significant budget pressures, we are introducing a Parent Contribution Scheme to help sustain the quality of education we strive to deliver. These contributions will be used to pay for curriculum resources for all pupils.

As many of you are aware Highfield, like many other schools, has been under increasing financial pressure over recent years and we do not make this request lightly but as a school we are finding it increasingly difficult to adequately resource our curriculum.

We understand the varying financial circumstances of our families and many of our families may not be in a position to contribute the full amount and any contribution will be gratefully received. **If you are able we would be grateful for a suggested donation £35 per child, per year, towards this crucial initiative.**

To facilitate the contribution process, payments can be conveniently made through your child's Arbor account. You would need to go into the trips section and then select voluntary school contribution. There is a suggested amount of £35 but you can change this.

We understand that financial commitments can be challenging, so we are happy to accommodate instalment payments which can be made termly.

Your support through the Parent Contribution Scheme is invaluable in ensuring the continued educational development and enrichment of all our students. Every contribution, no matter the amount, plays a vital role in supporting your child's educational journey.

Thank you for your attention to this matter. If you have any questions or require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact the school office at your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

David Wilson

Headteacher  
Highfield Primary School



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# Disco

BOOK EARLY TO AVOID DISAPPOINTMENT!

**Fri 25 Oct 2024**  
**School hall**

R, Y1, Y2 3:30-4:15PM

Y3 TO Y6 4:45-5:45PM

UNLIMITED SQUASH AND WATER, PLUS PACKET OF CRISPS INCLUDED

REACH FOR THE STARS!

PREPARE YOUR BEST DANCE MOVES!

LET'S PARTY!



# Flu immunisation for pupils in school years Reception - Year 11

DEAR PARENT/CARER,

The flu vaccine is being offered at your child's school again this autumn/winter.

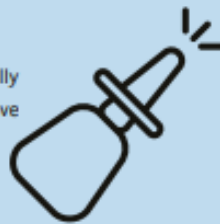
To give consent for your child to have the flu vaccine, please click here:

<https://ncl.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2024/enfield>

Even if you do not wish for your child to have the vaccine, please complete the online form so that we can record your wishes.

## THE NASAL FLU VACCINE

- ✓ Protects your child from the flu
- ✓ Protects your family and friends from the flu (especially those who are elderly, young babies, or those who have serious health conditions)
- ✓ Is painless, quick and effective
- ✓ Is free
- ✓ The nasal flu vaccine is very effective at reducing the spread of flu



## THE IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**. Please see our Frequently Asked Questions for more information.

You only need to complete one consent form for each child. If you later change your mind, please call your local team. If your child has this immunisation elsewhere after you have submitted the consent form, you **MUST** inform Vaccination UK rather than the school.

We understand that you may have questions about the vaccine. For more information, please go to our website, where you can find a list of FAQ's, as well as details of our community catch up clinics. We also have some FAQ's enclosed below.

You can also find informational videos on our YouTube channel, including subtitled versions for other languages.

Yours Faithfully,  
*Your Local Immunisation Team*  
Vaccination UK



Vaccination UK

Enfield

## Immunisation Team Contact Details



[enfield@v-uk.co.uk](mailto:enfield@v-uk.co.uk)



0208 150 7505

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## USEFUL INFO



We try to come to your child's school twice. If they are absent or unable to be vaccinated at school, you will need to attend one of our community clinics for the vaccine. Details of these can be found on our website or you can contact the team above.



**PLEASE NOTE** the flu vaccine will **NOT** be available to otherwise healthy children after December 13th at all, and so we urge you to return the consent form as soon as possible in case we are not able to visit your child's schools for a second visit this year.



Your consent will remain in place for the entire flu season. If your child misses a first visit, you do not need to complete a second form.

## USEFUL LINKS



[www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu)

[www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk](http://www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk)



## PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2024/25 policy can be viewed here:

[www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy](http://www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy)

For data protection queries, please contact:

[dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk](mailto:dpo@vaccinationuk.co.uk)





## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

\*The consent form needs to be signed by a person with parental responsibility which includes:

- Mother: automatic
- Father: if married to the mother either when baby is born or marries subsequently
- Unmarried father: if name appears on birth certificate (since 1/12/03) or legally acquired
- Others: if parental responsibility is legally acquired
- Parental Responsibility Agreement: signed, properly witnessed and sent for registration to Principle Registry or the Family Division (High Court)
- Residence Order: granted by the Court

*Please note that young people under the age of 16 can give or refuse consent if considered competent to do so by nursing staff.*

## FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

### ***Are there any side effects of the vaccine?***

Possible side effects are: decreased appetite, headache, a runny or blocked nose, and sometimes a raised temperature. These are common, but they pass quickly and can be treated with paracetamol or ibuprofen if you feel your child needs it.

### ***Are there any children who shouldn't have the nasal vaccine?***

You should let us know if your child has any of the following:

- A very severe allergy to eggs, egg proteins, gentamicin or gelatine – it is important for us to know if your child has been admitted to hospital with a condition called anaphylaxis, triggered by these things.
- Are currently wheezy or have been wheezy in the past 72 hours with asthma. There is an alternative flu vaccine that we can talk to you about to ensure that your child is protected as soon as possible.
- Have a condition that severely weakens their immune system.

Also, children who have been vaccinated should avoid close contact with people with very severely weakened immune systems for around two weeks following vaccination (By severely weakened, we generally mean people who are isolating, such as those who have received some types of chemotherapy or people who have had a bone marrow transplant, for example). This is because there's an extremely remote chance that the vaccine virus may be passed to them.

Contact with other healthy children or adults does not need to be limited after having the vaccine.

### ***We do not eat pork products.***

### ***Can my child have a different flu vaccine?***

Yes. There is a flu vaccine available, in the form of an injection.

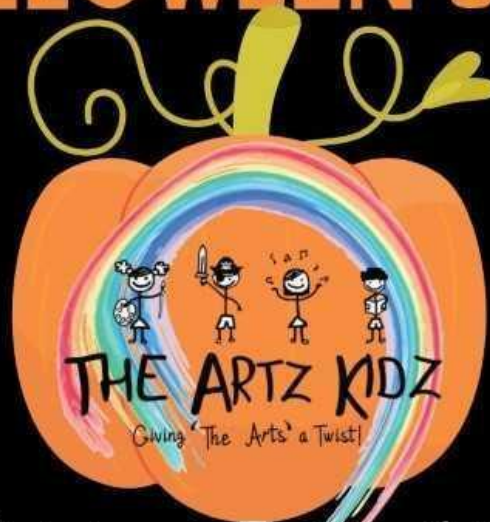
The nasal flu vaccine is the best vaccine for children and young people under 18 years of age as it is more effective at stopping the spread of flu and it is painless, but it does have a highly processed form of gelatine (porcine gelatine), which is used in a range of many essential medicines. The gelatine helps to keep the vaccine viruses stable so that the vaccine provides the best protection against flu.

If your faith or beliefs mean you would prefer a vaccine that has no pork (porcine gelatine) in it, please complete the consent for the flu injection only. You do not need to complete a form for both.



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# THE ARTZ KIDZ HALF TERM HALLOWEEN CAMP



**Monday 28th October - Friday 1st November 2024**

**At The Raglan Schools EN1 2NS**

**For**

**3-4s, 4-7s and 7-11s**

**BOOK ONLINE NOW AT**

**[www.theartzkidz.com](http://www.theartzkidz.com)**

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# \*ART\*GAMES\*DRAMA\*MOVIES\* \*OUTDOOR FUN\*

## 3 & 4s Group (Early Yrs)

Monday: Room on the Broom

Tuesday: Funny Bones

Wednesday: We're going on a Pumpkin Hunt

Thursday: Spectacular Spiders

Friday: Halloween Games & Party!



## 4-7s Group (KS1)

Monday: Witches & Wizards

Tuesday: Skeletons

Wednesday: Pumpkin Bonanza

Thursday: Trick or treat?!

Friday: Halloween Games & Party!

## 7-11s Group (KS2)

Monday: The Wizard of Oz

Tuesday: Skeletons & Ghosts

Wednesday: Hocus Pocus Spells & Magic

Thursday: Trick or Treat?!

Friday: Glow in the Dark Party!



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BIBLE STORIES



DISCUSSION



GAMES

**PATHWAY  
EXPLORERS**

FREE IN-SCHOOL CLUB RUNS HERE  
OPEN TO ALL CHILDREN IN YEARS 3-6

**FRIDAY LUNCHTIMES AT HIGHFIELD**

ASK THE SCHOOL OFFICE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR  
VISIT [WWW.PATHWAYONLINE.CO.UK](http://WWW.PATHWAYONLINE.CO.UK)

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