

Spring Vale Primary

Weekly News - 22nd September 2023

HARVEST

On Friday 29th September, we will be celebrating our Harvest Festival. This will be a non-uniform day for children. At this time of year, we give thanks for produce that is grown and farmed in our country and around the world. We have always had a strong partnership with the Good Shepherd Trust who provide meals for the homeless and food parcels for the vulnerable. We are asking each child, or family, to donate one item from their Autumn shopping list. Items can be brought in to school from Monday 25th September.



**Good Shepherd
Autumn Shopping List**

- Long life milk
- Tinned meat
- Tinned vegetables
- Tinned tomatoes
- Gravy granules
- Pot Noodles
- Rice
- Sauce jars
- Jam
- Sugar
- Coffee
- Toiletries

Thank you for your support



SECONDARY OPEN EVENINGS

Information for Wolverhampton Secondary School open evenings:-

<https://www.wolverhampton.gov.uk/education-and-schools/school-admissions/school-open-days>



annual FLU vaccines



The flu vaccines are carried out annually by Vaccination UK for all year groups except for nursery. They will be done in school on Friday 17th November. All parents should have received a text with a link to the online consent form which needs to be completed. Even if you decline the vaccine, the form still needs to be completed. The online consent forms go directly to Vaccination UK. The vaccine is given as a spray which is squirted up each nostril. The consent form and further information can be found here:-

<https://midlands.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/wolverhampton>

More information can be found overleaf

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://midlands.schoolvaccination.uk/flu/2023/wolverhampton>

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 IM FLU VACCINE



We also offer the flu vaccine as an injection, which is **gelatine-free**. This *may* also be the vaccine of choice for vegans. Please go to our website where you can find out more about the manufacturing of the flu injection, and then decide if the injection is more suited to your child.

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



WOLVERHAMPTON
Immunisation Team
Contact Details

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WORKING ON BEHALF OF



USEFUL INFO

- ✓ We endeavour 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 15th 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
www.youtube.com/@vaccinationuk



PRIVACY POLICY

Our 2023/24 policy can be viewed here:
www.schoolvaccination.uk/privacy-policy
For data protection queries, please contact:
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.

If your child is vegan, please note that the flu injection is a cell based vaccine. For more information, please see our FAQs page on our website:
<https://www.schoolvaccination.uk/nasal-flu>

GENERAL REMINDERS

Just a reminder that we don't allow the following on the school site:-

- 🚭 Smoking or vaping
- 🐕 Dogs (or any other animals)
- 🚗 Parents' vehicles

Thank you for your co-operation with this.



FUTURE OLYMPIANS!

We are loving the emails/pictures that you have been sending in. Keep them coming... details below:-



Calling all "Future Olympians"

It's that time of year when we want to know all about your extra-curricular talents. Maybe you are an amazing dancer, a super sportsperson or even a brilliant swimmer! Your mission is to send a photo of yourself with a little description of your hobby to feature on Spring Vale's 'Future Olympians' display board...Spring Vale needs you!

Photographs can be emailed to:-
springvaleprimaryschool@wolverhampton.gov.uk



JOIN OUR LOCAL HEROES

STOP

We urgently need **School Crossing Patrol Wardens** within your area.

For more information please contact the **School Crossing Patrol Team**
on **01902 555726**
or email: schoolcrossingpatrol@wolverhampton.gov.uk

CITY OF WOLVERHAMPTON COUNCIL

SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL VACANCY

Wolverhampton City Council are recruiting for a school crossing patrol. To apply or for further details, click on the link below:-

<https://tinyurl.com/4u429nu4>

FOOTBALL TRIALS

Yesterday we held our football trials with a record number of children (55). Thankfully, the sun shone for us! The children showed amazing skills, Colby's rocket shot even smashed the post! But best of all, their attitudes were first class. Thanks to all the staff for helping to organise such a large group of pupils.

We will update you with further sessions and any team news. Unfortunately, 55 children can't play for the school team although we wished we could have 44 substitutes!

