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Dear Headteacher,

Childhood influenza vaccination programme

Thank you for your help and support with the childhood influenza (flu) vaccination programme over the last few years. Last year more children than ever received a flu vaccine in school and this could not have been achieved without your ongoing support.

In 2019/20, all children from reception class to school year 6 will once more be offered a nasal spray flu vaccine in school.

The flu vaccination session in your school will be arranged locally. You may have been contacted already, but if not you will be contacted by your local health board soon.

An information sheet for primary school staff is included with this letter. Additional information will be available soon at www.beatflu.org or www.curwchfliw.org. Should you require further information, or have any questions, please contact your school nurse or school immunisation team.

In addition, you may be aware measles is continuing to circulate in Europe. Measles is one of the world's most infectious diseases so please continue to remind parents of the importance of ensuring their child has had two doses of Measles Mumps Rubella (MMR) vaccine. Parents should contact their GP to arrange MMR vaccine or if they are unsure if their child is up to date.

We apologise in advance for any disruption that may occur when the flu vaccinations take place in school and thank you for your continued support.

Yours faithfully

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