

Our reference: Reception Health Form/School Entry Health Questionnaire

Date: March 2023

Dear Parent/Carer

As your child has now started primary school, his/ her health and well-being will be supported by the School Health Service (0-19 Team) in partnership with yourself and the school. In line with Government policy, we will be involving children and their families in deciding how we can best use our resources to keep them healthy.

This term we are asking all parents/carers of children in the Reception class to complete a simple online questionnaire about their health, wellbeing, and lifestyle. The information we gather will also help us identify how we can support your child with any issues which may be impacting on their health and well-being.

Our Specialist Community Public Health Nurses (School Nurses) will review the completed questionnaires and may contact you to talk about your responses in more detail.

The information we collect will be used to tailor a bespoke public health plan for the school so that group health education sessions can be delivered.

To complete a questionnaire about your child's health and wellbeing please access this link between the dates **06/03/2023 and 16/04/2023**

[Sefton School Health Questionnaire - Reception \(chathealth.nhs.uk\)](https://chathealth.nhs.uk)

We take the confidentiality of our patients and their carers very seriously and will only share person-identifiable information outside the Trust with the person's explicit consent unless, there is a legal reason to share without it.

We will record routine information about your child, such as their full name, address, date of birth, sex, ethnicity, details of their GP and school, as well as your details. The information will be held electronically or in a paper care record and will be stored securely.

The Trust's legal basis for collecting, using and storing information is to enable it to perform its public task in providing direct health care to its patients (and their carers where applicable).

If your child has a special education need (s) and or disability, please contact your school nurse to discuss the suitability of questionnaire for your child and how we can best support them to complete if appropriate. The results of these questionnaires are looked at alongside your child's health record and will help us identify if further support is required.

If you would like further information on how the Trust handles and uses the information it collects, please see the Trust website ([www.mersecare.nhs.uk](http://www.mersecare.nhs.uk)).

If you have any concerns or require further support, please contact the School Health Team on; **0151 247 6354** or email [mcn-tr.seftonschoolhealth@nhs.net](mailto:mcn-tr.seftonschoolhealth@nhs.net) ensuring your child's name, date of birth and school they are attending is included in the email

Yours Sincerely

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