

11th September 2026

Dear Parents and Carers,

It has been wonderful to see our pupils have such a positive and successful first full week of the new school year. We have been particularly pleased to see our new pupils settle into their classes, become familiar with their new routines and environments, and begin building relationships with the adults and pupils around them.

A special welcome goes to our new Reception pupils and their families. They have done incredibly well during their first week at Spa Camberwell, and we are delighted with how confidently they have begun their school journey. We are very excited to welcome you to the Spa Community and look forward to working with you as we support and celebrate your child's learning, development and progress.

Thank you also to everyone who joined us for our Welcome Meetings and our Year 6 and Year 11 Transition Meeting. It was good to see so many families and to have the opportunity to meet with you at the start of the new school year.

We look forward to a happy, successful and exciting year ahead, working together as a strong community of pupils, families and staff.



Upcoming Events

The next few weeks are busy with plenty of opportunities to connect with the Spa Camberwell community. Please add these dates to your diary:

Tuesday, 15th September

- 9:45 am – Brenchley, Rye and Burgess: Meet the Class

Thursday, 17th September

- 9:10 am – Autism and Starting Secondary School
- 2:00 pm – Autism and Starting Primary School

Friday, 18th September

- 9:45 am – Neptune, Warwick and Mint: Meet the Class

Monday 21st September

- 9:15 pm – Key Stage 3: Meet the Class

Tuesday 22nd September

- 9:30 am – Groundworks Coffee Morning

National Fitness Day is on Wednesday, 16th September. Please ensure your child is dressed for a day of fun physical activities.

Online Safety

ChatGPT Parental Controls

ChatGPT has parental controls which allow a parent or carers to link their account with a teenager's account and manage a range of settings.

Parents can control things such as:

- additional safeguards around sensitive content;
- Voice Mode;
- image generation;
- memory;
- quiet hours;
- and some other ChatGPT features.

Link: [Managing parental controls in ChatGPT](#)

Attendance and Punctuality

We are pleased that our overall attendance remains strong; thank you for your continued support.

- **Absence:** Please call the school office as soon as possible if your child will be absent.
- **Punctuality:** Arriving on time helps pupils settle into routines and prevents disruption to learning.

Secondary pupils should be ready to leave the playground by 9:00 am.
Primary pupils should be ready for collection from the playground at 9:30 am.

Home Time

Thank you for arriving promptly at the end of the school day. This allows our staff teams to meet and plan effectively for each pupil.

Primary pupils must be collected at 3:00 pm.
Secondary pupils must be collected at 3.15 pm.

Spa Camberwell, Southampton Way, SE5 7EW
A special school for autistic pupils



We wish you and your family a restful and enjoyable weekend.

Warm regards,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rian Ehlers", with a stylized flourish at the end.

Rian Ehlers
Head of School



South London Children and
Young People's Community
Immunisation Service

Southwark Immunisation Team

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Your child's flu vaccination is now due.

**The Southwark Immunisation Team will visit your child's school Spa School,
Camberwell on 14/09/2026.**

Dear parent or carer,

This vaccination is recommended to help protect your child against flu. Flu can be an unpleasant illness and can cause serious complications. Vaccinating your child will also help protect more vulnerable family and friends by preventing the spread of flu. If you would like to know more about the flu vaccine, [please visit the NHS website](#).

Please discuss the vaccine with your child, and use the link provided to access and complete the electronic consent form:

<http://cypcis.kingstonandrichmond.nhs.uk/flu/2026/southwark>

Your child will be offered the live nasal flu spray or the injectable porcine-free flu vaccine. The nasal spray vaccine is a quick and simple spray up each nostril. Alternatively, you can choose for your child to have the injectable porcine-free vaccine. This is given as an injection into the upper muscle of the arm.

It is recommended that your child has the flu vaccine every year due to changes in flu strains circulating each year, even if they had the vaccine last year.

If you do not complete your child's consent form, you may be contacted by phone, text, or letter, to offer your child the vaccine. If you return a 'no' consent, we will not make any further contact this year.

Children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities

We understand children and young people with special educational needs or disabilities may find vaccination sessions particularly stressful. Our immunisation nurses are experienced at supporting children and young people who have additional needs and may be anxious about vaccinations. We welcome discussions with parents or carers prior to the session date to make the experience less stressful.

We offer all children and young people the opportunity to receive their vaccinations in an appropriate and comfortable environment. Our teams hold clinics over the school holiday periods, some weekends, and after school sessions. Please contact your local immunisation team to book a clinic appointment, or for more information.

We have included some frequently asked questions about the flu vaccine below. If you have any queries about the flu vaccine, please contact your Immunisation team:

Phone no: 020 8614 5496

Email: <mailto:Krft.southwarkimms@nhs.net>

For more information on our Service and the consent process, [please see our privacy notice](#)

Yours sincerely,

Southwark Immunisation Team

The Flu vaccine Frequently Asked Questions

Are there any side effects?

Possible side effects include:

- a blocked or runny nose
- feeling tired
- a headache
- a slightly raised temperature

More serious side effects, such as a severe allergic reaction are very rare. You cannot catch flu from either of the flu vaccines.

Does the vaccine contain gelatine?

The most common flu vaccine for children is the nasal flu spray. This contains a small amount of porcine gelatine.

If you do not consume porcine gelatine, you can choose to have the injectable flu vaccine. It does not contain any gelatine. Your parent or carer will have to select this option on the consent form.

What if I miss my vaccine at school?

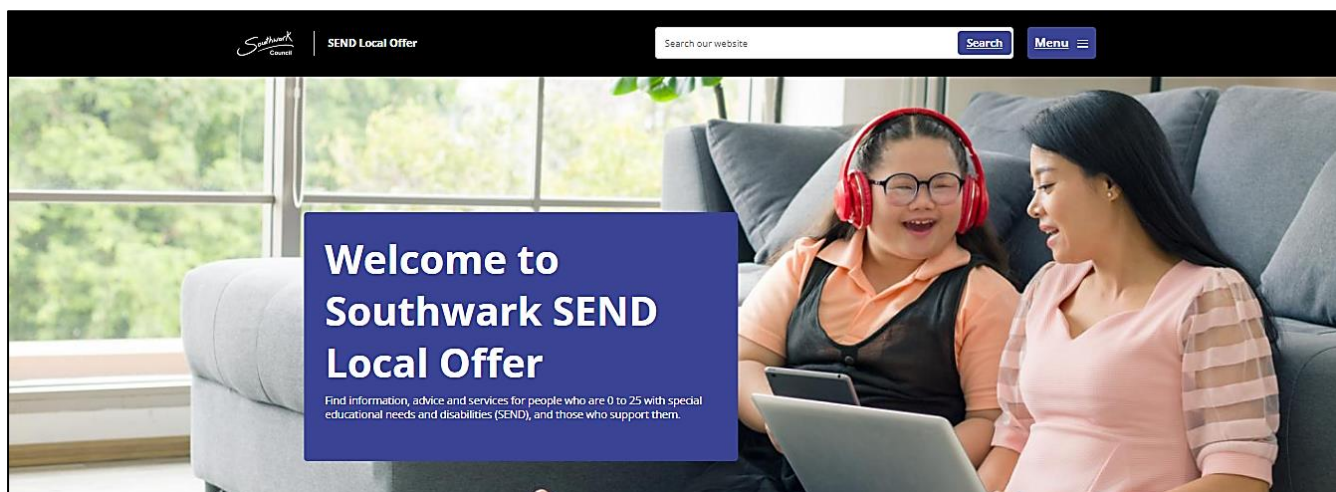
Our Immunisation teams run catch-up clinics after school, at the weekends, and during the school holidays. Head to our website to see all the details of our clinics:

www.kingstonandrichmond.nhs.uk/services/service-search-z/immunisations-childrens

I had a flu vaccine last year - do I need another one?

Yes, every year, scientists predict the most likely flu strain based on flu seasons in other countries. Last years vaccine will not protect you against this years flu strain. Getting your annual flu vaccine is the best way to stay protected.

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Southwark have redesigned the website to make it easier for you to find clear, up-to-date information about special educational needs and disabilities (SEND). The new site features improved navigation and accessibility, creating a one-stop-shop to learn more about:

- education
- clubs and activities
- skills and employment
- Preparing for adulthood
- advice services
- peer support.

Access Southwark SEND Local Offer [HERE](#)