19th September 2024

Dear Parent/Carer

Researchers at the University of Birmingham are conducting the ELSA study. We are writing to you because as a parent/carer of a child aged 3-13 years, your child is invited to take part.

The ELSA study is screening children, aged 3-13 years to find out their risk of getting type 1 diabetes. This is a simple finger stick blood test; we are offering the screening at your child’s school on: 26th November 2024.

Children at high risk can be monitored and could enter research studies aiming to delay the start of type 1 diabetes. Every family who takes part in the ELSA study is helping us to understand more about type 1 diabetes.

We enclose the parents’ information leaflet for this study with this letter.

If you would like to take part or to find our more information, please visit our website or scan the QR code below. If you have any questions, please contact the ELSA study team by email, phone or on our website. If you decide you are not interested in this study, you do not need to do anything further.

Yours sincerely,

The ELSA study team



**FURTHER INFORMATION:**

View the ELSA Website here: <http://www.elsadiabetes.nhs.uk>

**TO CONSENT YOUR CHILD TO THE STUDY:**

Sign your child up here: <http://redcap.link/The_ELSA_Study> (includes link to Parent Information Sheet)

**ELSA Study Team:**

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