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Dear Parent/Carer,

As part of the Healthy Child Programme and the School Entry Health Review (SEHR), all children will be offered a hearing check during their first year in school, carried out by School Nursing teams. This will ensure that if your child has an unidentified hearing loss, it does not impact on their learning and development. You will be informed of your child's results in writing if they fail this test or were unable to complete it. If your child is found to have any difficulty with their hearing we will contact you to discuss and share this information with their teacher.

**If you do not want your child to have this very important hearing check or you have any questions, please contact the School Nursing Admin Hub on 01929 557558 within two weeks of receiving this letter.**

In the term your child is 5, we will offer your child the second part of the SEHR. We will send you an Ages and Stages Questionnaire (ASQ), for you as the person with parental responsibility to complete and return. The School Nursing Team will review the questionnaire and contact you if the questionnaire, or you, highlight any concerns around your child's development.

Your child will receive a routine Vision Test in school which is carried out by the Orthoptist during their Reception year. Your local optician is also able to carry out a free Vision Test.

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact us on the number above.

Yours faithfully

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