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Dear Parent/Carer,

Vision screening for children aged 4 to 5 years: The Young Greenwich School Nursing Service will be conducting routine vision screening for all reception children at your child's school. This vision screening is crucial for identifying any potential issues affecting learning and development at an early stage, ensuring your child can reach their full potential in school.

To check your child's vision, they will stand a set distance from a chart with letters of different sizes. They will wear glasses that cover one eye and identify the letters they see. If they don't know their letters, they can point to a chart to indicate the letters.

How will I find out the results of my child's vision results?

- If your child passes the vision screening, you will receive a letter from Young Greenwich School Nursing Service.
- If your child has reduced vision, you will be notified of the test results via letter and your child will be automatically referred to either the local **Hospital Eye Department** or by a **Community Optometrist (Optician)**

As a parent/carer you do not need to do anything if you are happy for your child to be screened and referred. Children will not be made to take part on the day if they do not want to.

Opting out of vision screening: If you do not wish for your child to participate in the vision screening, kindly e-mail oxl-tr.ncmp@nhs.net including your child's name, date of birth, school attended, your name and optional information about why you are declining. Please do not ask school personnel to pass on messages in relation to the screening and consent on your behalf.

Confidentiality: All health-related information is kept confidential, however, in some instances information may be shared on a need-to-know basis with other services including the school, to provide better support for your child in school. The school nurse will contact you to discuss the need for sharing health-related information where relevant.

Please review the leaflet attached for more information. If you have any enquiries, please contact the Young Greenwich School Nursing Service on 020 83176319 or via email at oxl-tr.ncmp@nhs.net

Yours sincerely,



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