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**Orthoptic School Vision Screening Service – COVID 19 update**

In order to carry out the vision screening of children at school safely during COVID-19 we have adapted the screening service:

- The Orthoptists carrying out the screening will be wearing a surgical mask and will clean any equipment in between uses as required.
- We will be sanitising our hands in between each child as well as maintaining social distancing whenever possible
- Testing has been reduced to a vision assessment in order to minimise contact time.
- The screening is an opt-out service, so any parent/guardian who wishes their child not to have the screening carried out can request so on the provided consent form. In such cases we would urge you to make arrangements with a local optician for the vision to be assessed there if it hasn't already been done.

Kind Regards

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