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Children's Eye Sight Checks



Dear Parent/Guardian

Covid-19 has caused major interruptions in education and child health services. This has meant that many children have not received a routine sight check. The NHS provide free sight tests and are available at opticians for children under 16.

Your child's eyes are special. As they go through school, their eyesight lets them learn and discover — in fact, about 80% of what is taught in schools is presented visually. Being able to see clearly is therefore incredibly important in your child's overall development.

Children often cope very well with some eye problems which need to be identified and treated early to avoid lifelong visual problems. For this reason, it is important that even children with apparently normal vision should be tested. The sight check ensures that your child has good vision in both eyes, and that their vision is developing normally. Outside agencies will always ask that children with special educational needs, get a sight check before they are seen; so, it is important you organise this regularly.

We recommend that if your child has not had a sight test within the last 12 months, you make an appointment with an optician.

For further information, please visit:

www.nhs.uk/conditions/eye-tests-in-children/

www.specsavers.co.uk/childrens-eyecare

Yours faithfully

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