

## **VISION SCREENING SERVICE 2024/25 (Reception children only)**

Dear Parent / Carer.

A member of the Vision Screening Team from University Hospitals Dorset will be visiting your child's school shortly to assess the vision of all children in the Reception year.

This check is recommended by the government in order to pick up undetected, treatable vision problems in your child's first year at school.

The assessment only takes a few minutes and will involve measuring your child's vision with each eye in turn using a simple letter matching test.

If there are any concerns from this assessment, your child will be offered an appointment at their nearest hospital eye department for further investigation.

We use "Parent Portal" so that parents/carers can find out about the Vision Screening test, access the results of the test digitally, and indicate if they wish to opt out of the screening should they not want their child to have the test.

Please register for an account on the Parent Portal by clicking on the link below. Once the vision screening has taken place you will be able to view your child's results in the Parent Portal.

## To register for an account, please click on the link below:

https://app.schoolscreener.com/Portal/#/5555/g/UHD317

- In order to be able to view your child's results, you must register on the Parent Portal prior to our visit, therefore please register by Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2025
- Please be aware that we are unable to access your child's medical records prior to the visit.
  If your child is currently under the care of a hospital eye unit or optician we recommend that you opt out of the screening. This eliminates the possibility of a duplicate referral or confusion with future appointments.
- Only one account can be made per child.
- If your child does not pass the vision screening and you did not register for an account they will still be referred for a hospital appointment.

If you are having any difficulties with registration or accessing the Parent Portal please call the parent support line on: **0203 958 4181** 

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