

## Reception Year Health Screening Programme 2017/18

As part of the Healthy Child Programme for 0-19 year olds all children in Buckinghamshire are offered a comprehensive health assessment. Part of this is completed by you, the parents, and part by our team of skilled staff visiting schools. If you have any queries please contact your School Nursing Team on the telephone number at the bottom of this form.

**If you DO NOT want your child to participate in the Screening Programme please complete the form below and return it to the School Office within 10 days.**

Alternatively email your School Nursing Team direct on; [buc-tr.chiltsch@nhs.net](mailto:buc-tr.chiltsch@nhs.net) giving the information below.

**Vision Screening** - is carried out in school and individual results letters are sent to you. In some instances we may telephone you to discuss our findings and a possible referral. It is important that your child's eyes are checked regularly by an optician, which is free to all school age children. If your child is being seen by the Hospital Eye Department then please tick the 'DO NOT' option below and return the form.

**Height & Weight Measurements** - are taken in school as part of routine growth checks, they will be stored on your Bucks Healthcare NHS Child Health records and repeated again in Year 6. All data will be treated as confidential and their weight will not be told to them, school staff or other children (although they may overhear their height). Measurements will be made anonymous and then analysed at a national level. Children who take part will be asked to remove their shoes and coats only, all cultural needs will be respected and a child will not be made to do it. You will receive a letter by post and it is your decision to share the details with the child. You may receive a call home and offered support and advice depending on the measurements. We know that every child is unique and will grow and develop differently, so we will ask you about this when we talk with you. The measurements are taken at one moment in time and for some children a few grams or centimetres can make the difference to the result.

**Online Health Assessments** - provide an essential part of a child's school entry health and well-being review. By completing it, we can identify with you any current or potential health needs for your child. If required we can support you, your child and the school, so that your child can reach their full potential. Full details on how to access the assessment can be found on the attached letter. All the individual assessments are confidential, although anonymous data will be used to create health profiles of our community and enable us to target services more effectively.

Visit: [buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/children-and-young-people](http://buckshealthcare.nhs.uk/children-and-young-people) for more details of our service.

### **ONLY RETURN IF YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR CHILD TO TAKE PART**

Child's Full Name : ..... Date of Birth : .....

School : ..... Male / Female : .....

**I/We DO NOT want my child to participate in the following: (please tick)**

- Vision Screening** (please state reason e.g. Hospital Eye Department) .....
- Height & Weight Measurement** .....

Contact : Chiltern Team, Rectory Meadow Surgery, School Lane, Amersham, HP7 0HG

Tel : 01494 722988

Email : [buc-tr.chiltsch@nhs.net](mailto:buc-tr.chiltsch@nhs.net)

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